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ABSTRACT

The purpose was to determine, by photographic means, the modes by which energy is propagated and dissipated from nuclear explosions at very high altitudes. A corollary objective was to document all visible aspects of the detonations for later analysis of any unforeseen phenomena.

The project analyzed films from Shots Yucca, Teak, and Orange. Film records analyzed included 70-mm streak records for very early fireball growth, 35-mm high-speed records for diameter-time relationships up to 2,000 msec, and slow-speed 35- and 70-mm records for late diameter-time data. The films were taken from cameras aboard two RB-36 aircraft.

Shot Yucca had an approximate initial diameter of 40 meters at approximately 0.13 msec and could be measured to a diameter of about 640 meters at 1.5 seconds. Shot Orange had an initial observed diameter of approximately 1.7 km and reached a diameter of 20 km at 30.5 seconds.

Shot Teak was a multiphenomena event. At early times, the configuration of the radiation phase was egg shaped. As time passed, several shocklike phases became discernible. The major vertical and major horizontal measurements of each of these phases were computed.

Because of the uncertainties involved in scaling for high-altitude bursts, no attempt was made to calculate yields.

FOREWORD

This report presents the final results of one of the projects participating in the military-effect programs of Operation Hardtack. Overall information about this and the other military-effect projects can be obtained from ITR-1650, the "Summary Report of the Commander, Task Unit 3." This technical summary includes: (1) tables listing each detonation with its yield, time, environment, meteorological conditions, etc.; (2) maps showing shot locations; (3) discussions of results by programs; (4) summaries of objectives, procedures, results, etc., for all projects; and (5) a listing of project reports for the military-effect programs.

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Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 OBJECTIVES

The purpose was to determine, by photographic means, the modes by which energy is propagated and dissipated from nuclear explosions at very high altitudes. A corollary objective was to document all visible aspects of the detonations for later analysis of any unforeseen phenomena.

1.2 BACKGROUND AND THEORY

High-speed photography of low-altitude detonations, during many operations, has shown that the initial propagation of energy from a nuclear explosion is by radiative transport (radiative phase), which is overtaken in a matter of tens of microseconds by hydrodynamic (fireball) transport. Results from Shot 15 during Operation Teapot (Shot 15 at 56,600 feet) show that the radiative phase persisted for a considerably longer time than was the case for a similar low-altitude burst (Reference 1). The partition of energy between shock and radiation changes slightly at approximately 24,500 feet; however, a tremendous change was to be expected at extreme altitudes. These phenomena and theoretical considerations are discussed in Reference 2, issued in 1954, prior to Operation Teapot.

The attenuation of radiation of very short wavelength (less than 2,500 angstroms) is complete within a few centimeters at sea level; however, at 250,000 feet these thermal radiations were expected to penetrate several hundred meters. It was postulated that the entire energy release might be radiated without forming any fireball.

Chapter 2

PROCEDURE

2.1 SHOT PARTICIPATION

This project participated in shots Yucca, Teak, and Orange.

All times given in this section have been corrected for WWVH transit time.

Yucca, a nominal 1.7-kt device, was detonated on 28 April 1958 at local time 1440:00.256 ± 2 msec (Greenwich Mean Time 0240:00.256 ± 2 msec, 28 April 1958). The device was suspended from a balloon at an altitude of 84,683 feet above sea level ($\rho_0 = 3.5 \times 10^{-5}$ gm/cm³) (Reference 3), and was detonated at a location between Eniwetok and Bikini Atolls in the Eniwetok Proving Ground.

Teak, a nominal 3.8-Mt device, was detonated on 31 July 1958 at local time 2350:05.596 ± 1 msec (GMT 1050:05.596 ± 1 msec, 1 August 1958). The device was carried northwest of the launching pad, to a firing altitude of 250,374 feet ($\rho_0 = 3.4 \times 10^{-5}$ gm/cm³) (References 3 and 4) by a Redstone missile launched from Johnston Island.

Orange, also a nominal 3.8-Mt device, was detonated in the same manner as Teak on 11 August 1958 at local time 2330:08.605 ± 1 msec (GMT 1030:08.605 ± 1 msec, 12 August 1958). The burst occurred southwest of the Johnston Island launching pad at an altitude of 141,000 feet ($\rho_0 = 3.2 \times 10^{-5}$ gm/cm³) (References 3 and 4).

2.2 PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Photographic coverage for all events was supplied by cameras mounted in two RB-36 aircraft flying at altitudes of approximately 37,000 feet for Yucca, and 30,500 feet for Teak and Orange. Positioning data for the participating aircraft is given in Table 2.1. Additional cameras were located on the USS Boxer for Yucca and on Johnston Island for Teak and Orange.

The primary high-speed photography was accomplished by means of streak cameras, which utilized 70-mm film to provide a wide field of view. The purpose of this type camera was to produce a film on which was recorded the envelope of the expanding phenomena. To accommodate possible errors in aiming and/or burst position, the cameras were operated without a slit. At a nominal film speed of 20 ft/sec, the cameras, operating with a slit, would be capable of resolving a few microseconds; and without a slit, better than a hundred microseconds. With a 6-inch lens, the spatial resolution is a few meters.

Three streak cameras were used in each aircraft—two mounted to record the vertical growth of the fireball, and one mounted to record its horizontal growth. Because the exposure was relatively unpredictable, the cameras were filtered to respond to different light levels.

One streak camera on the USS Boxer for Yucca and one on Johnston Island for Teak and Orange were equipped with longer lenses so that a record of the envelope of horizontal growth could be obtained in the absence of cloud cover.

Other cameras used included the following: 35-mm Fastax (2,000 frames/sec)—fireball photography; 35-mm Mitchell (24 frames/sec)—fireball photography; 70-mm Hulcher (Edgerton, Germeshausen & Grier modified) cloud $1/4$ frame/sec—later stages of cloud formation; 70-mm Maurer ($3\frac{1}{2}$ frames/sec)—later stages of cloud formation; and 16-mm gun sight aiming point (64 frames/sec)—distribution of light over the sky (employed ultra-wide-angle lenses) and documentary (both color and black and white).

Timing signals at each station activated the cameras and control equipment. Upon receipt of the time signal, operation of each station was automatic.

2.3 FILM READING AND DATA REDUCTION

The 35-mm films were measured on a Hauser profile-measuring microscope equipped with an Edgerton, Germeshausen & Grier (EG&G) fireball image reading device. The 70-mm streak records on Yucca and Orange were read on a Mann optical comparator, and the Teak streak records were read using a Bausch and Lomb magnifier and a finely scribed 100-micron scale.

The data was processed on the Burroughs E-102 digital computer.

Zero time for the Yucca and Orange streak records was established as the center of the circle that made the best fit to the head of each trace. On Teak, the envelope was less opaque, and streak zero times were measured at the tip of the well-defined inner envelope (Figure 4.25).

Zero times for the 35- and 70-mm framing records were determined by comparison with early diameter measurements taken from the streak records.

Sample camera data and calculation sheets are contained in Appendix A.

2.4 DETERMINATION OF MAGNIFICATION FACTOR

The airborne cameras were mounted perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the aircraft and elevated to the angles indicated in the photo plan sheets for the various shots (see appendixes).

To determine a magnification factor for relating film dimensions to object size, the distance was calculated along the optical axis of each camera to the point in space where the axis intercepted, at right angles, the plane containing the burst. By measurement on the film of the horizontal and vertical displacements of the image from the center of the frame, the angles between the optical axis of the camera lens and the slant range to burst were obtained. Because the rate of rise of each of the detonations was unknown at the time of analysis and was beyond the scope of the analysis effort, no attempt was made to correct the measurements for viewing geometry. It is hoped that future analysis will yield enough information to enable a correction of diameter values.

The true range ($R_{t/a}$) along the optical axis, to be used in determining the magnification factor, was then calculated as follows:

$$R_{t/a} = d_1 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + (h_b - h_c) \sin \beta$$

Where: d_1 = horizontal distance—camera to burst

β = camera elevation from horizontal

α = angle between $R_{t/a}$ and slant range in horizontal or ground projection

h_b = height of burst

h_c = height of camera

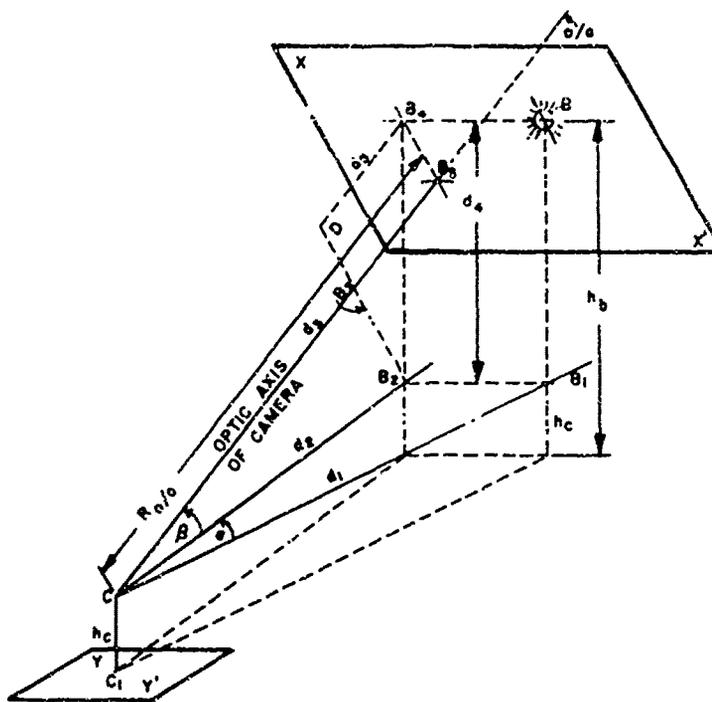
Figure 2.1 is a spatial presentation of the range along the optical axis.

TABLE 2.1 POSITIONING DATA

Location	Coordinates		Altitude ft	Distance, Aircraft to Burst	
	N	E		Horizontal	Slant Range
Shot Yucca					
Air zero	451946*	364042*	84,683	—	—
RB-36, 15748 (Station 830.01)	426552*	337621*	36,000	79530	85692
RB-36, 15750 (Station 830.02)	498747*	292340*	37,000	65058	80666
Shot Teak					
Air zero	203144†	184871†	156,371	—	—
Launch pad	0040†	200580†	~0	—	—
Center Johnston Island	19130†	197855†	~0	—	—
RB-36, 15748 (Station 830.01)	51269†	16432†	30,500	390196	447507
RB-36, 15750 (Station 830.02)	59†	377278†	30,500	383859	450220
Shot Granite					
Air zero	63198†	196052†	141,009	—	—
Launch pad	200040†	200580†	~0	—	—
Center Johnston Island	199130†	197855†	~0	—	—
RB-36, 15748 (Station 830.01)	461248†	21056†	30,500	434794	448422
RB-36, 15750 (Station 830.02)	461608†	381646†	30,500	439432	453091

* Referenced to Eniwetok coordinate system.

† Referenced to Johnston Island coordinate system.



KEY TO SYMBOLS IN FIGURE:

B: BURST POINT IN SPACE.
 C: CAMERA LOCATION.
 o/a: OPTICAL AXIS OF CAMERA.
 XX': PLANE THROUGH B PERPENDICULAR TO o/a. THIS IS THE PLANE IN WHICH THE CAMERA SEES THE BURST.
 YY': HORIZONTAL DATUM PLANE.
 C1: PROJECTION OF C ON YY'.
 CC1: HEIGHT OF CAMERA = h_c .
 B1: PROJECTION OF B ON HORIZONTAL PLANE THROUGH THE CAMERA.
 $h_b - h_c$: HEIGHT OF BURST MINUS HEIGHT OF CAMERA.
 d_2 : PROJECTION OF o/a ON A HORIZONTAL PLANE THROUGH THE CAMERA.
 B_2 : PROJECTION OF B ON CB_2 .
 B_3 : PROJECTION OF B ON o/a.
 B_4 : PROJECTION OF B ON VERTICAL PLANE THROUGH C.
 B_5 : PROJECTION OF B ON o/a.
 D: A CONSTRUCTION POINT.
 α : HORIZONTAL OFF-AXIS ANGLE OF THE OPTIC AXIS.
 β : THE ANGLE OF ELEVATION OR POSITION ANGLE OF THE o/a.
 h_b : HEIGHT OF BURST.

DERIVATION OF $R_{0/a}$:

ADDITIONAL SYMBOLS:

$R_{0/a}$: RANGE OF BURST ALONG o/a

d_4 : HORIZONTAL RANGE TO BURST

DERIVATION:

$$d_2 = d_1 \cos \beta$$

$$d_3 = d_2 \cos \alpha = d_1 \cos \beta \cos \alpha$$

$$d_4 = h_b - h_c$$

ANGLE $DB_2B_3 = \beta$ BY CONSTRUCTION

$$d_3 = d_4 \sin \beta = (h_b - h_c) \sin \beta$$

$$R_{0/a} = d_3 + d_4$$

$$= d_1 \cos \beta \cos \alpha + (h_b - h_c) \sin \beta$$

Figure 2.1 Derivation of range along the optical axis ($R_{0/a}$) for off-axis bursts.

Chapter 3

SHOT YUCCA: CAMERA INSTRUMENTATION, ANALYSIS, AND RESULTS

3.1 INSTRUMENTATION AND CAMERA OPERATION

Photographic coverage of fireball growth was provided by cameras mounted in two RB-36 aircraft (Stations 830.01 and 830.02) and by cameras mounted on the USS Boxer (Station 943).

Streak Camera 6 (in aircraft Station 830.01) jammed, but all other airborne cameras obtained records of the detonation. Rain clouds partially obscured the burst from the cameras located on the USS Boxer, and the streak camera at the station jammed; thus, no records suitable for analysis were obtained from Station 943. Analysis for Yucca was accomplished by measurement of records from the airborne camera stations.

The Yucca photo plans and photo loading charts are contained in Appendix B. The aircraft positions and survey data are presented in Figures 3.1 and 3.2.

3.2 RESULTS

The Yucca diameter-time plot is shown in Figure 3.3. Because of apparent differences between the curves of the Yucca streak records, they are plotted separately and labeled with the station number and the density value of the camera filter. Neutral density (ND) filters were used on the streak cameras to attenuate the light. The ND filter is a non-discriminating filter in that it attenuates the light by a fixed percentage over the visible spectrum. ND filters are numbered in accordance with the percentage of light they transmit, e.g., an ND-1 transmits 10 percent of the incident light, while an ND-2 transmits only 1 percent of the incident light. Two facts are readily apparent when these curves are compared: (1) at any comparable time, the diameter values of the records from any one station show a filter dependence, i.e., the greater the filter density, the smaller the diameter; and (2) there is poor agreement among curves plotted from records obtained from cameras equipped with filters of the same density value, e.g., the streak curve from the Station 830.01 camera that used an ND-4 filter is higher at any given time than the curve from the corresponding camera record at Station 830.02.

The differences in image density, attributable to the filtering, is demonstrated when the photographic prints of the three streak records from Station 830.01 are compared (Figures 3.10, 3.11, and 3.12). The camera with the least filtering, ND-3, produced the brightest image, and the camera with an ND-5 filter produced the faintest image.

The use of filters of different values was necessary because very little information was available on high-altitude detonations, making precalculations of expected light intensity unreliable. The filter values were chosen to provide an exposure variation that would insure adequate coverage over a wide range of light intensity.

To determine the nature of the light distribution across the fireball, microphotometric measurements were made on the streak records (by scanning across each streak, orthogonal to the time axis). Examination of these results showed that the light intensity across

the fireball was nonuniform, rising to a maximum at the fireball center. Figure 3.4 shows a curve of relative light intensity distribution across the face of the fireball. Superimposed on the curve are rectangles representing the filters used and showing the relative range of light intensity encompassed by each. The ND-3 filter passes the widest range of light intensities, while the ND-5 passes the narrowest range. The image width and consequently the calculated diameter is, in this case, dependent upon the intensity range of the filter.

To determine the cause of disagreement among the curves of records made from cameras using similar filters, microphotometric measurements were made on each record at 0.8 msec and at 15 msec. Comparison of microphotometric traces of two records with the same degree of filtering and exposed at the same time showed that the width of the streaks was the same, but the density of the images was markedly different. The trace with the lighter image, when magnified on the optical comparator, was much more difficult to measure because of poor definition at the extremities. In all cases the measurement of the denser image resulted in a higher calculated diameter. The difference in image density is attributed not only to the difficulty in defining the edge of a gradually changing density, but also to variations in the photographic process. The conditions for processing 70-mm records in the field were such that photosensitometric control was difficult to attain.

An ND-2 filter was used on the Fastax camera mounted in Station 830.02, and the diameter values calculated from measurements of its record are greater at any given time than the values calculated from measurement of the least heavily filtered streak record from either station. This fact supports the observation that the light distribution across the face of the fireball is nonuniform and that the filter density value affects the apparent size of the streak records.

At approximately 20 msec, an inner core becomes discernible on the film records, as the core grows, assuming the characteristic torus- or doughnut-shaped cloud approximately 4.5 seconds after zero time.

Figures 3.5 through 3.12 show the fireball, the cloud development, and the streak records.

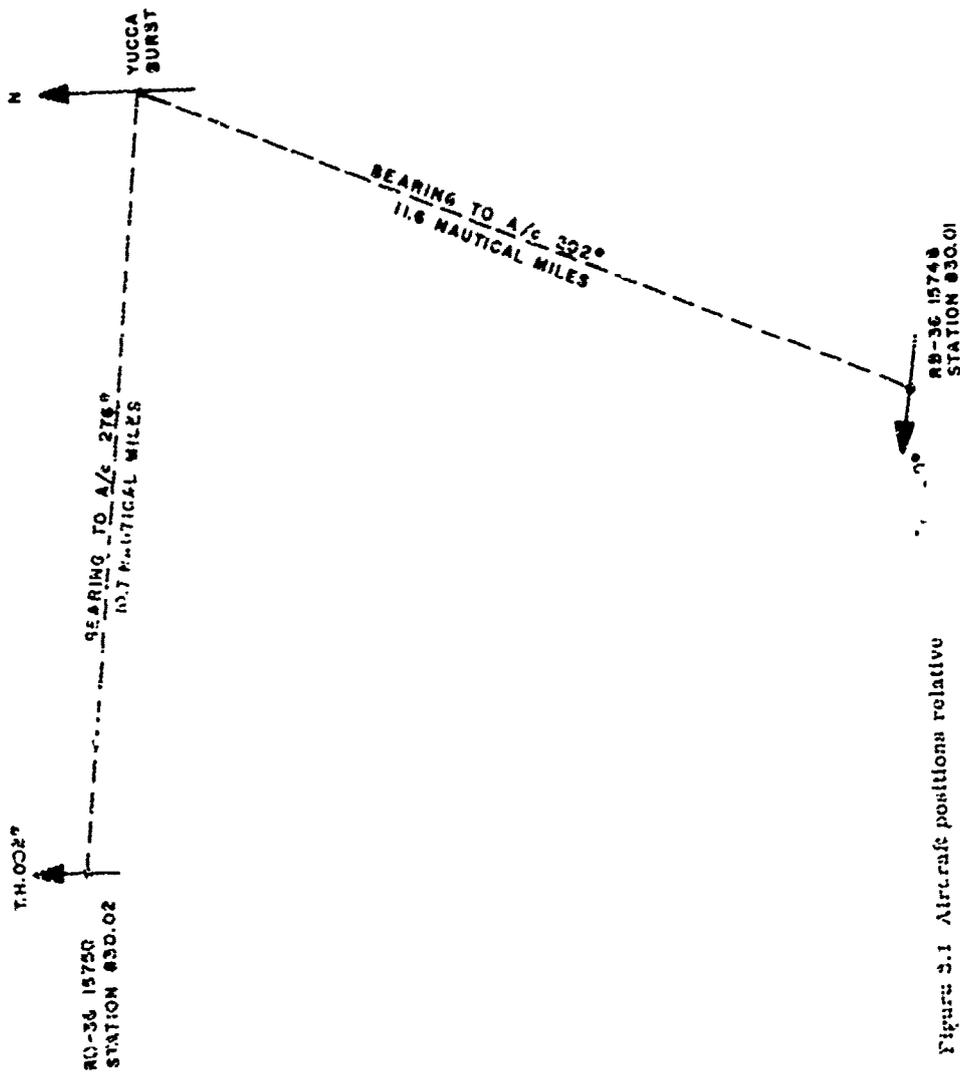


Figure 3.1 Aircraft positions relative to Yucca Burst, Shot Yucca.

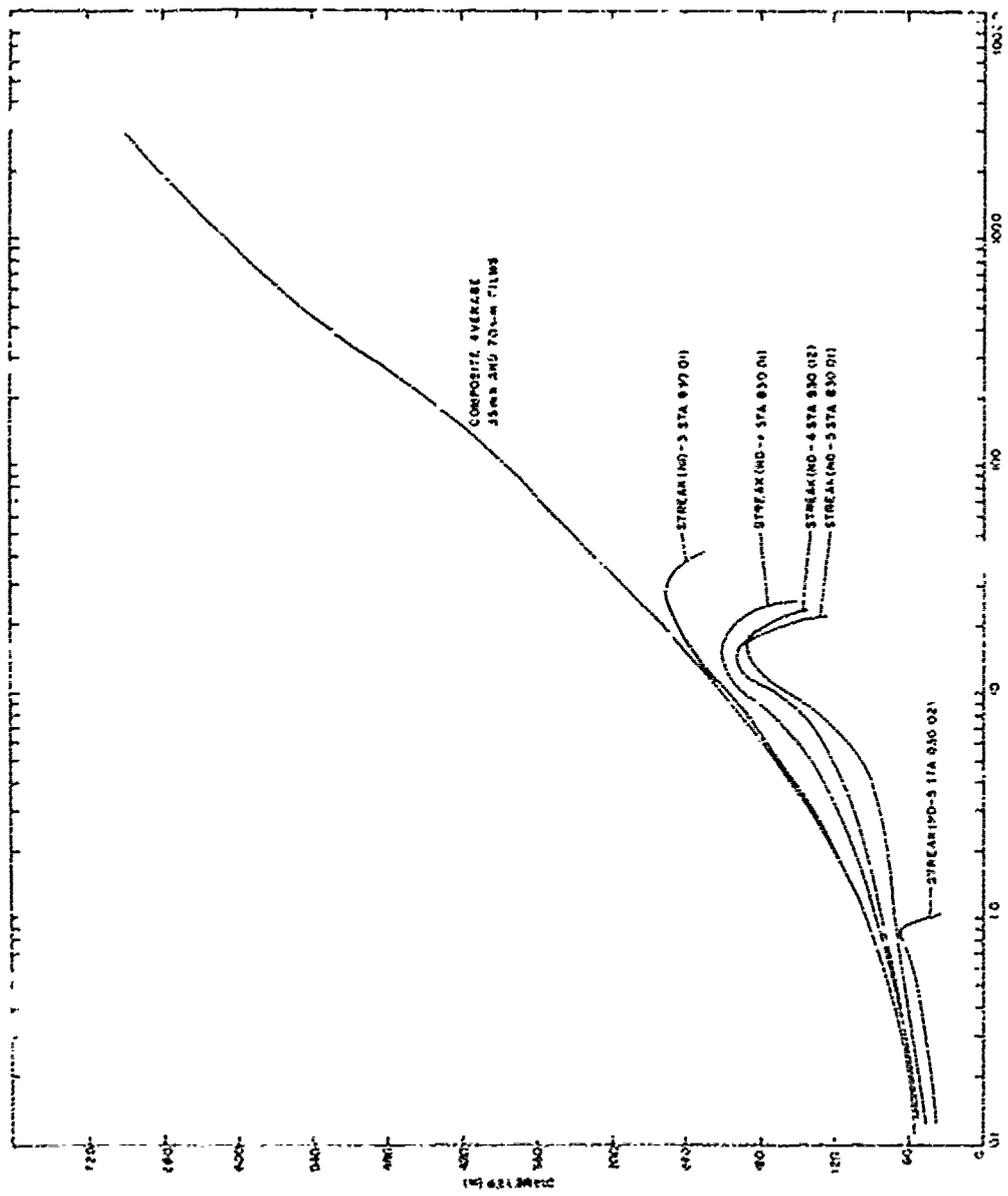


Figure 3.3 Diameter-time plot, Shot 1 uccl.

Figure 4.3 Laser scatter-time plot, Shot 1 uccl.

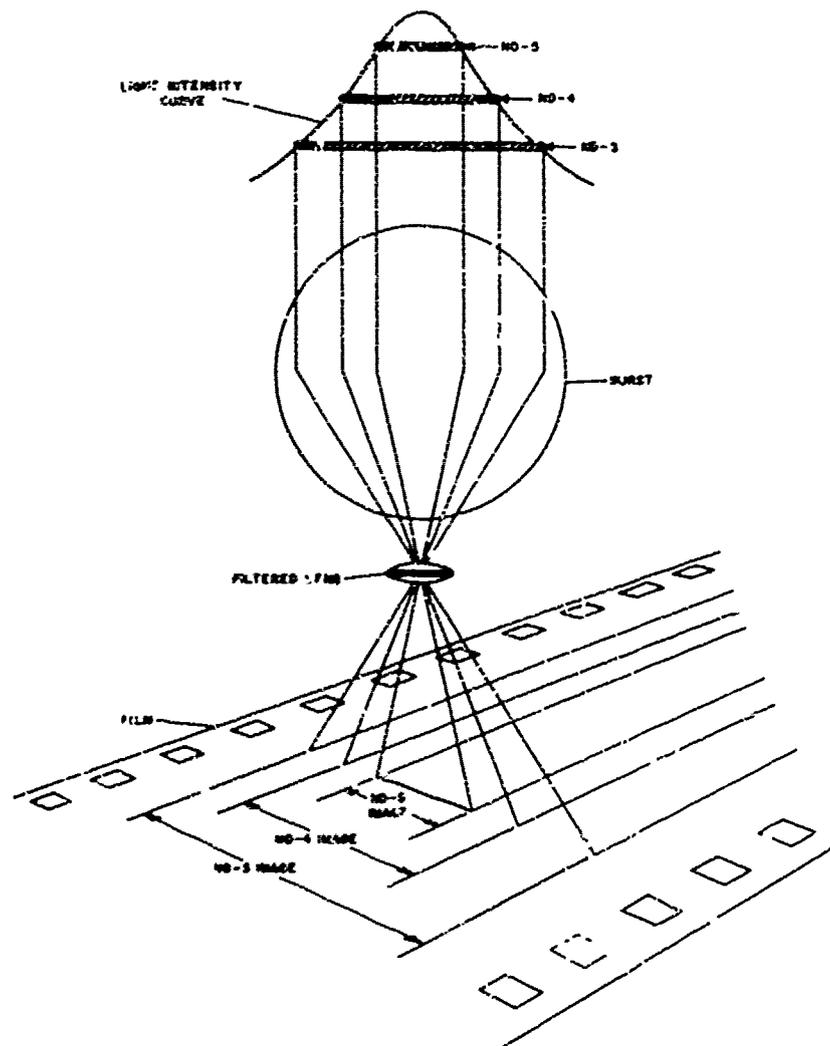


Figure 3.4 Relationship between filter rating and image width of strzak records.



Figure 3.5 Fireball at approximately 0.6 msec, Station 830.02, 35-mm Fastax FF camera, Shot Yucca.



Figure 3.6 Cloud development at approximately 3.0 seconds, Station 830.02, 70-mm Cloud Camera 4, Shot Yucca.



Figure 3.7 Cloud development at approximately 7.5 seconds, Station 830.02, 70-mm Cloud Camera 4, Shot Yucca.

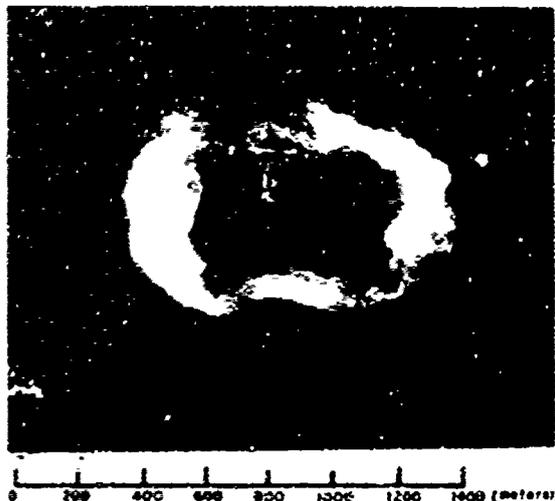


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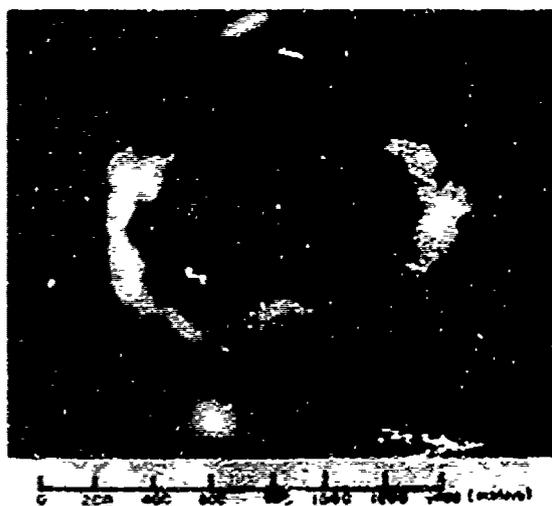


Figure 3.9 Cloud development at approximately 12.3 seconds,
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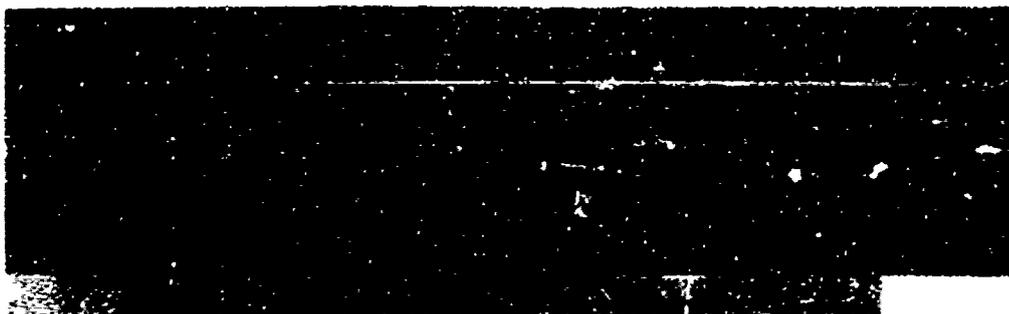


Figure 3.10 Streak record, Camera 3, ND-3 filter (horizontally mounted),
Station 830.01, Shot Yucca.



Figure 3.11 Streak record, Camera 2, ND-4 filter (horizontally mounted),
Station 830.51, Shot Yucca.



Figure 3.12 Streak record, Camera 1, ND-5 filter (vertically mounted),
Station 830.01, Shot Yucca.

Chapter 4

SHOT TEAK: CAMERA INSTRUMENTATION, ANALYSIS, AND RESULTS

4.1 INSTRUMENTATION AND CAMERA OPERATION

Photographic coverage of the Teak detonation was provided by cameras mounted in two RB-36 aircraft (Stations 830.01 and 830.02) and by cameras mounted in a C-6 truck on Johnston Island (Station 851) (Johnston Island coordinate system). The photo plans and photo loading charts are contained in Appendix C. The aircraft positions and survey data are presented in Figures 4.1 and 4.2. All cameras operated normally except the 35-mm Fastax at Station 830.02.

The streak camera records from Shot Yucca showed that the ND filter values used on the cameras (ND-5, ND-3, and ND-2) were too high for the light intensity levels of the detonation, consequently, the filter values were reduced (ND-4, ND-3, and ND-1) for the three streak cameras at each station recording the Teak and Orange events. Streak cameras were mounted, as for Yucca, to record both the vertical and horizontal diameter.

Because the device-carrying missile did not follow the planned course, the detonation was outside the field of view of all Johnston Island cameras, except station 851 cameras with very wide fields of view, thus, no data suitable for early-time analysis was obtained from the Johnston Island cameras. Fortunately, the burst did take place within the fields of view of all of the cameras in both aircraft.

4.2 RESULTS

The phenomena recorded during the Teak shot were much different from those observed on any other detonation. For the purposes of this report, these unique dimensional phenomena have been assigned designators D_0 , D_1 , D_2 , and so forth.

At early times, the fireball was approximately egg-shaped, being symmetrical about the vertical axis and asymmetrical in the vertical direction. At 1 msec, the maximum vertical measurement of the radiative phase D_1 (Figure 4.3) was approximately 17 km, and the maximum horizontal measurement was approximately 13 km. The vertical asymmetry is believed to have been caused by the variation in air density across the fireball. At an altitude of 250,000 feet, the lower air density at the top of the burst provides a longer mean-free path for early radiation, resulting in an egg-shaped configuration. Because of the asymmetry of the fireball, measurements were taken along both the major horizontal and major vertical diameters. The diameter-time plots are shown in Figures 4.3 and 4.4. Linear plots of both horizontal diameter and vertical diameter versus late times are shown in Figures 4.5 and 4.6. As in the case of the Yucca diameter versus time plots, wherever there is important disagreement among streak diameter data, the curves have been plotted separately and labeled according to station and filter number.

D_0 is a shocklike phenomenon visible at early times (Figure 4.9). At approximately 900 msec, the light intensity of this phase has fallen off to such a degree that further

measurements on the film record are impossible. The phenomenon designated D_1 appears to be a strong radiation phase brighter than D_0 , but much less intense than D_2 (Figure 4.9). D_2 is a high light-intensity phase whose light level drops below the threshold necessary for good film resolution approximately 1 second after zero time.

Another shocklike front moves up the radiative phase of the burst (Figure 4.12). This front was not measured, because there does not appear to be any satisfactory measurement reference point.

The designator D_3 refers to that phase of the detonation that appears in the streak records as a wedge (Figure 4.25) and in the framing camera records as a bright shock (Figure 4.12). The D_3 phase grows rapidly, and approximately 900 msec after zero time, a bright core (D_3) is discernible in the records (Figure 4.12). This core has the apparent elliptical shape that the viewing geometry would be expected to induce on the bomb-debris torus.

About 3 seconds after zero, a shocklike front (D_4) grows from the core (Figure 4.13). This phase can be measured, in the vertical direction only, to approximately 8 seconds, after which time the light intensity drops sufficiently to preclude further measurement.

The linear plot of horizontal diameter versus late time (Figure 4.5) shows an apparent disagreement between D_3 values from Mitchell (35-mm) and Maurer (70-mm) films. The differences are probably due to the degree of personal judgment required in reading the larger and less well-defined images of the 70-mm Maurer records.

Approximately 7 seconds after zero, a luminescent phenomena rises from the bottom of the radiation envelope (Figures 4.15 and 4.16).

A strong aurora first becomes apparent in the photographs approximately 50 m after zero (Figure 4.16).

Photographic prints showing phenomena growth are shown in Figures 4.7 through 4.22. Several prints (Figures 4.7 and 4.9) show bright spots below the burst; these are internal camera reflections and are not functions of the burst.

Streak records are shown in Figures 4.23 through 4.26. Density variations across the streak image are apparent on some prints (Figures 4.25 and 4.26). These variations are attributed to the photographic processing techniques employed. Because of inadequate field facilities, processing under strict photo densitometric control was not possible.

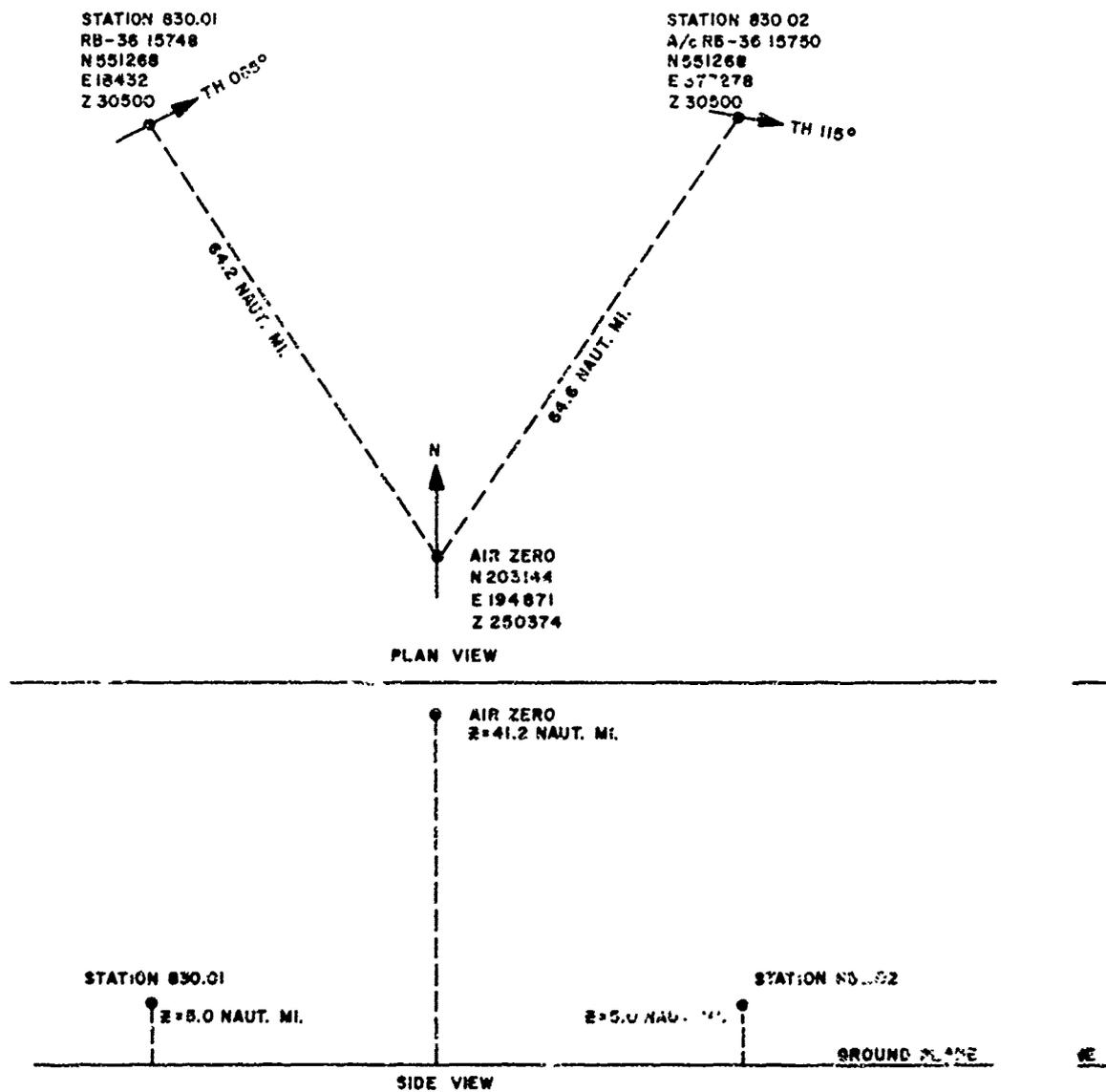


Figure 4. Aircraft positions relative to burst, Shot Teak.

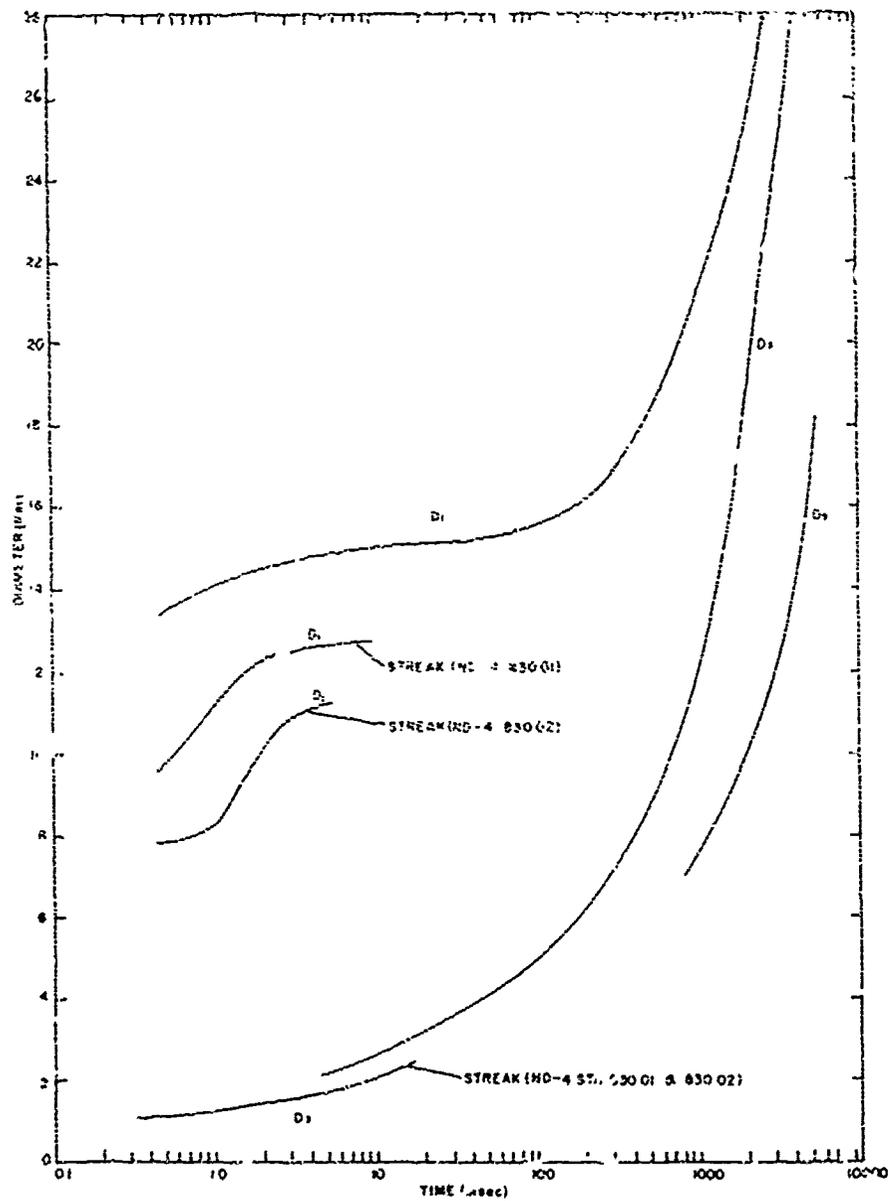


Figure 4.3 Horizontal diameter-time plot, Shot Teak.

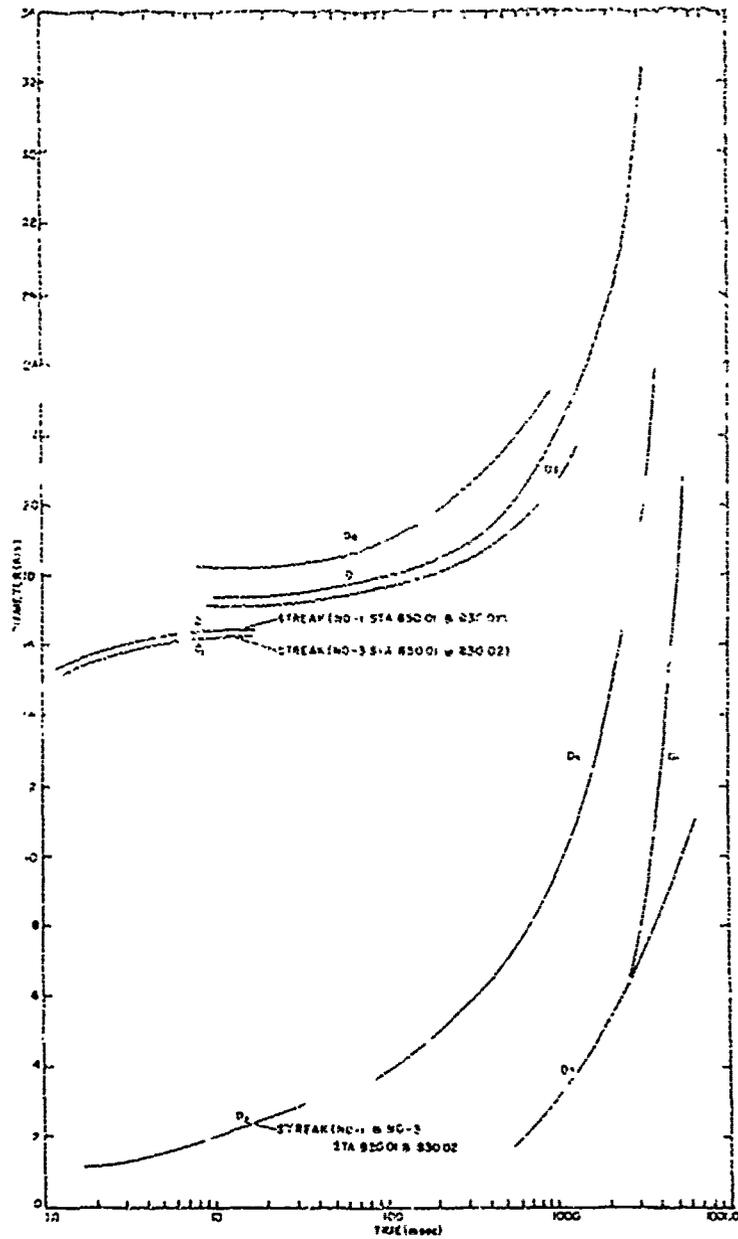


Figure 4.4 Vertical diameter-time plot, Shot Teak.

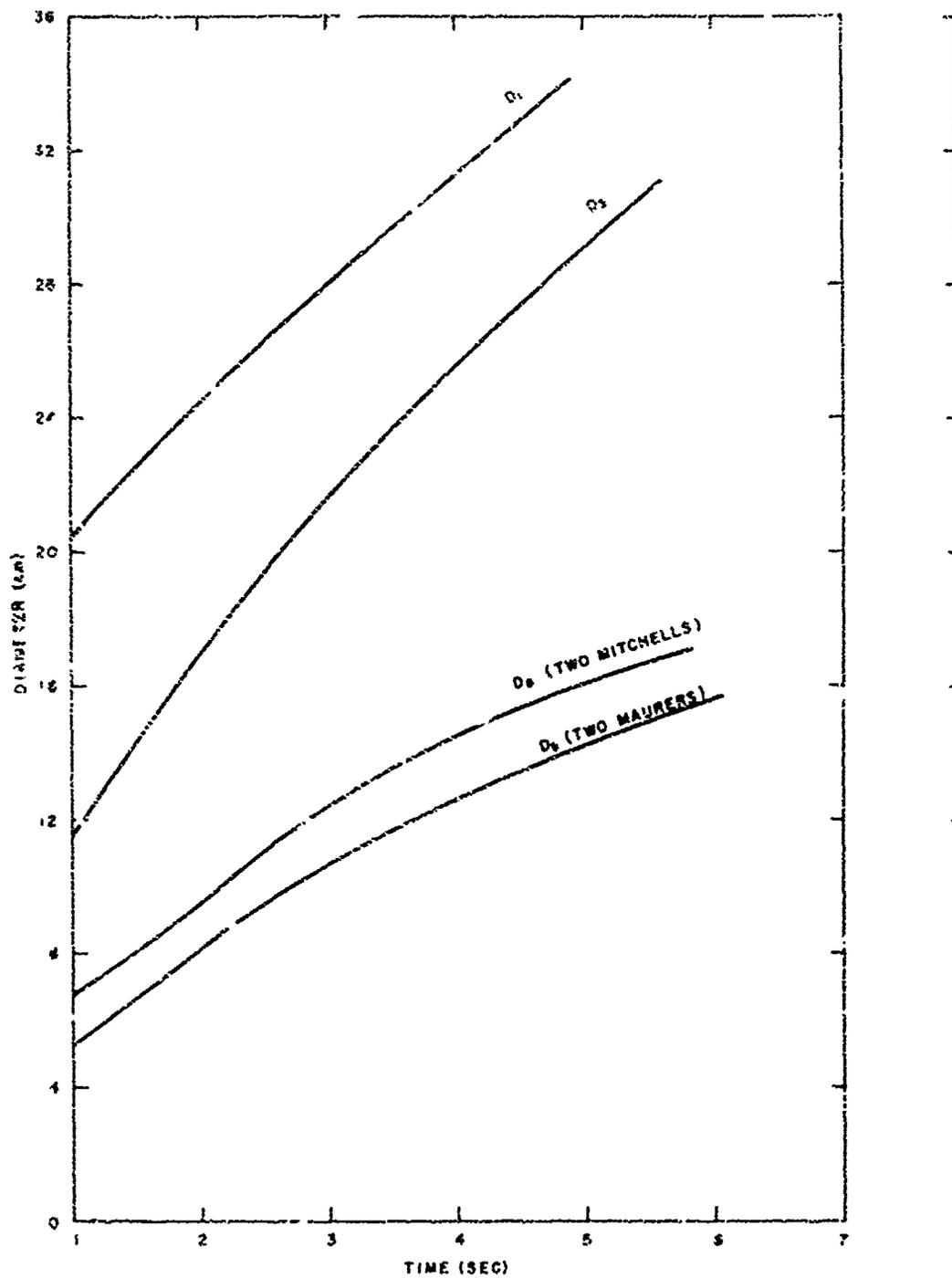


Figure 4.5 Horizontal diameter versus late time, Shot Teak.

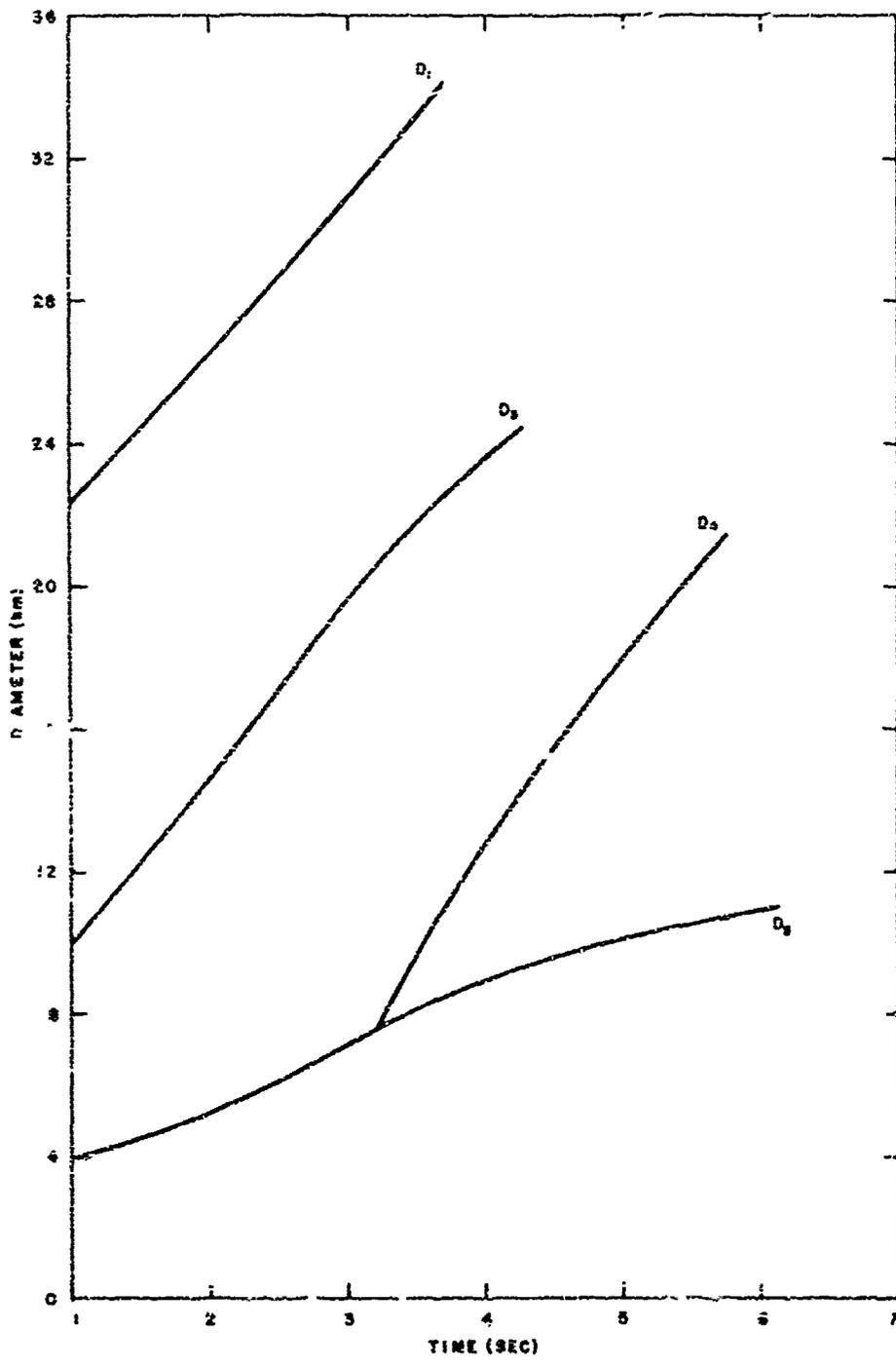


Figure 4.6 Vertical diameter versus late time, Shot Teak.

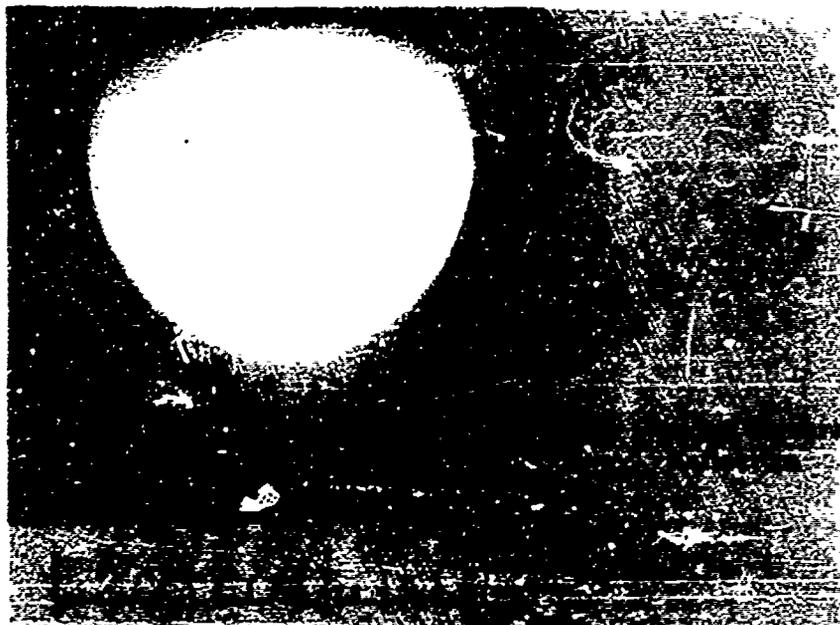


Figure 4.7 Fireball at 0.58 msec, Station R30.01,
35-mm Fastax FF-1 camera, Shot Test.



Figure 4.8 Fireball at 9.96 msec, Station R30.01,
35-mm Fastax FF-1 camera, Shot Test.

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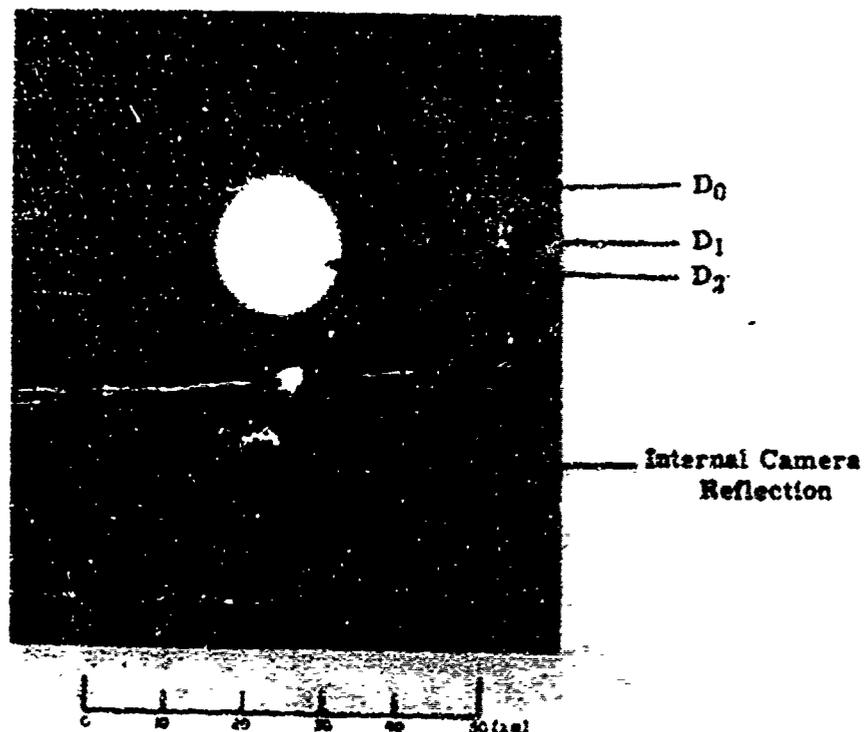


Figure 4.9 Fireball at 50 msec, Station 830.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Teak.

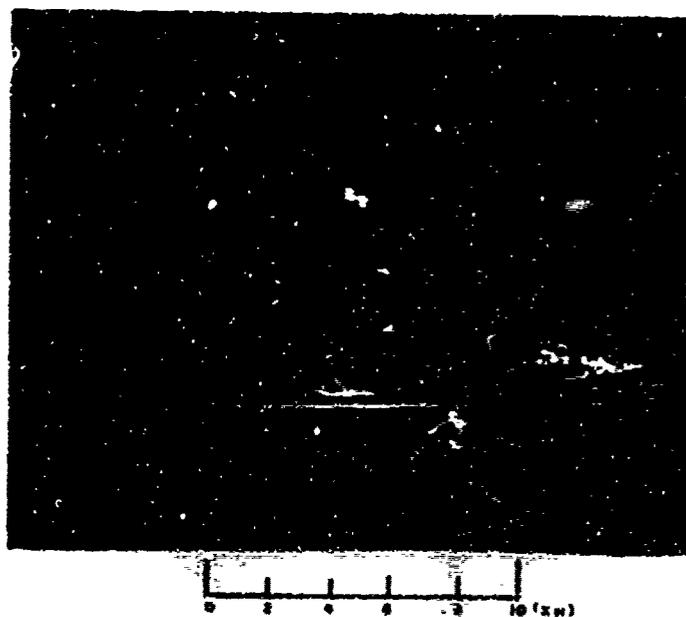


Figure 4.10 Fireball at 251 msec Station 830.01,
35-mm Fastax camera, Shot Teak.

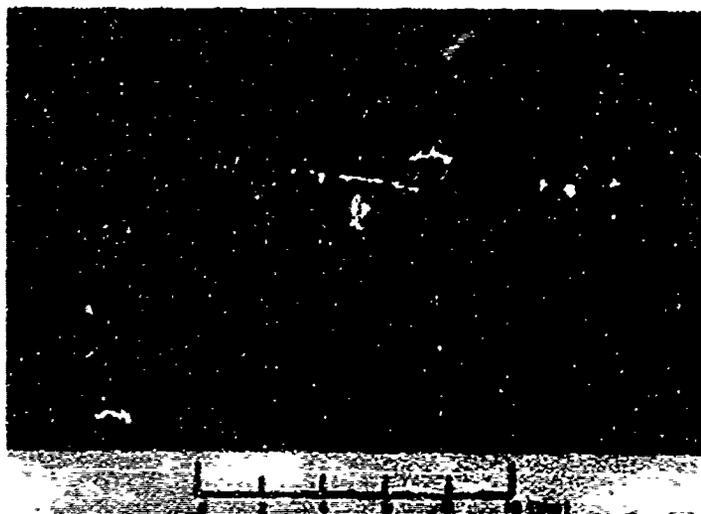


Figure 4.11 Fireball at 547 msec, Station 830.01,
35-mm FX camera, Shot Teak.

Rising Shock-like Front



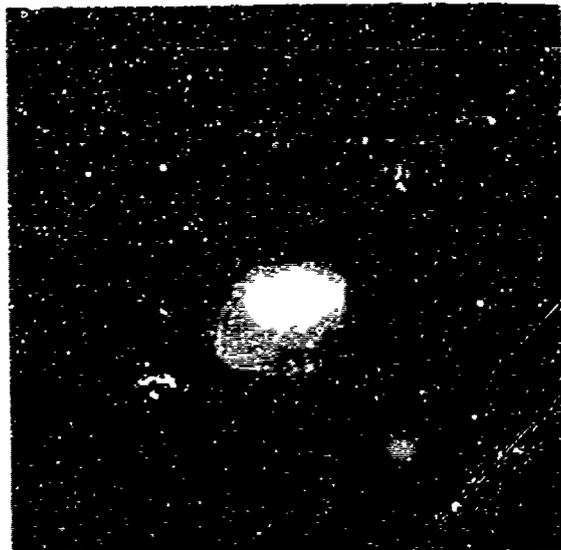
Figure 4.12 Fireball at 2.45 seconds, Station 830.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Teak.



Figure 4.14 Fireball at 5.15 seconds, Station 830.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Tenk.



Figure 4.13 Fireball at 3.95 seconds, Station 830.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Tenk.



Luminescence
Rising from
Bottom



Figure 4.15 Fireball at 7.55 seconds, Station 530.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Teak.



Figure 4.16 Fireball at 10.85 seconds, Station 530.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Teak.

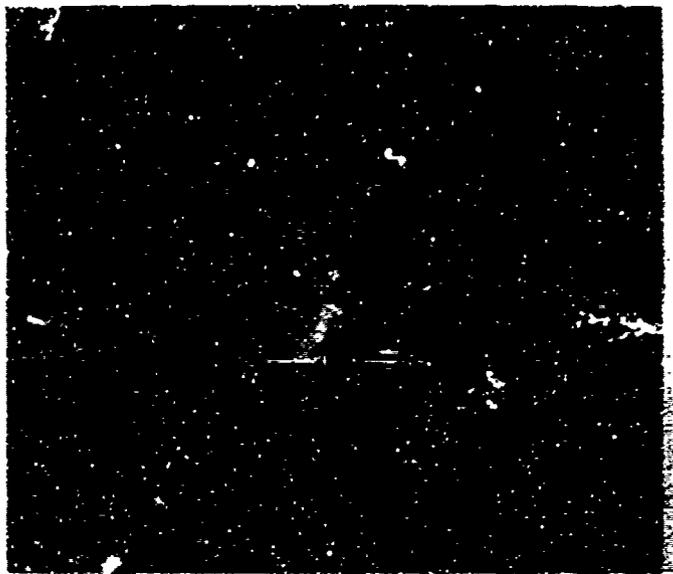


Figure 4.17 Fireball at 19.85 seconds, Station 839.01,
70-mm Maurer M-4 camera, Shot Teak.

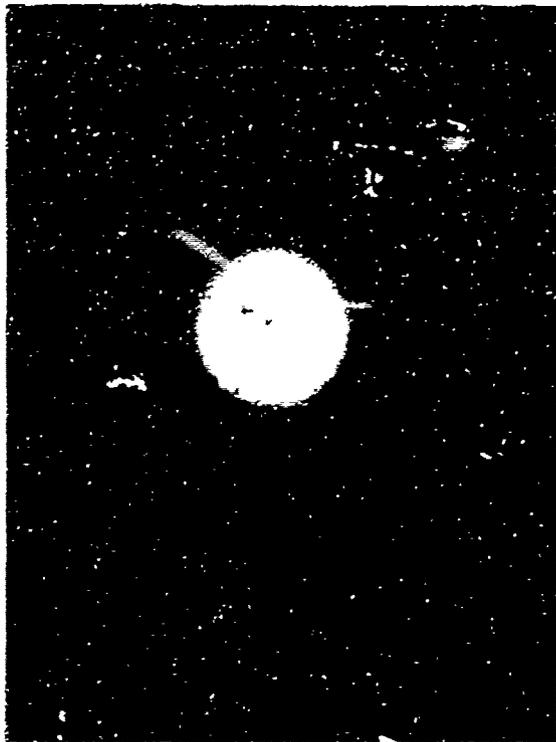


Figure 4.18 Fireball at approximately 3 seconds,
Station 831, 70-mm Hulcher H-11 camera, Shot Teak.



Figure 4.20 Fireball at approximately 5 seconds,
Station 631, 76-mm Bulcher H-10 camera, Shot Peak



Figure 4.19 Fireball at approximately 4 seconds,
Station 631, 70-mm Bulcher H-10 camera, Shot Peak

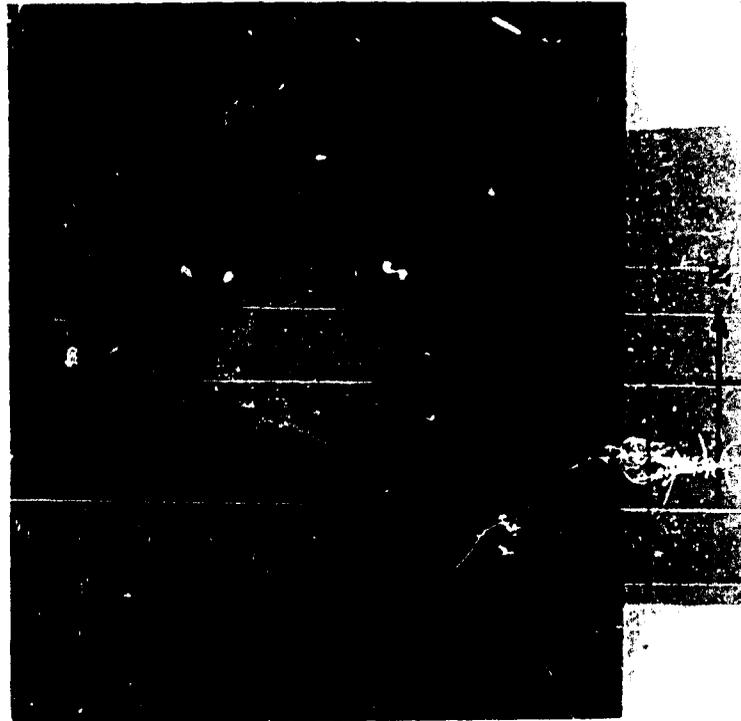


Figure 4.21 Fireball at approximately 6 seconds,
Station 831, 70-mm Hulcher H-10 camera, Shot Teak.

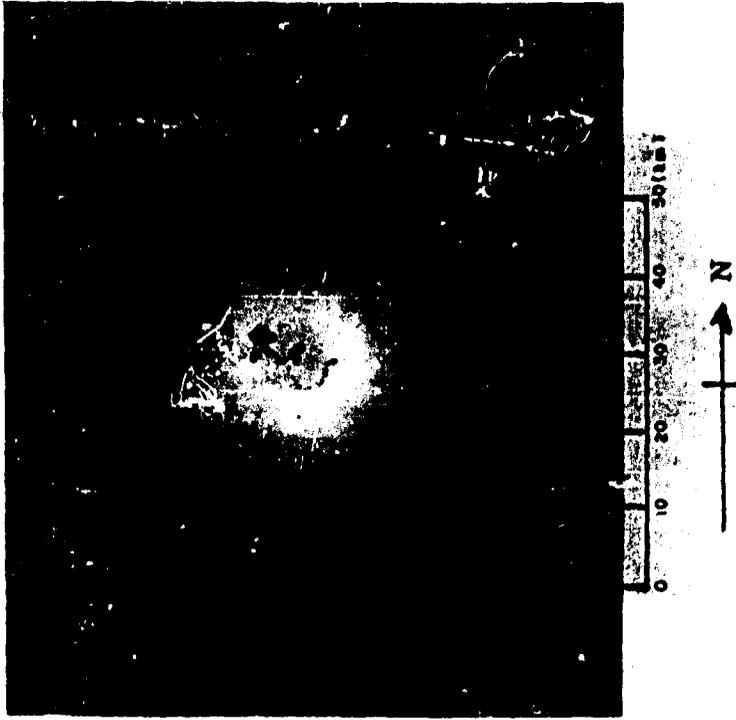


Figure 4.22 Fireball at approximately 7 seconds,
Station 831, 70-mm Hulcher H-10 camera, Shot Teak.

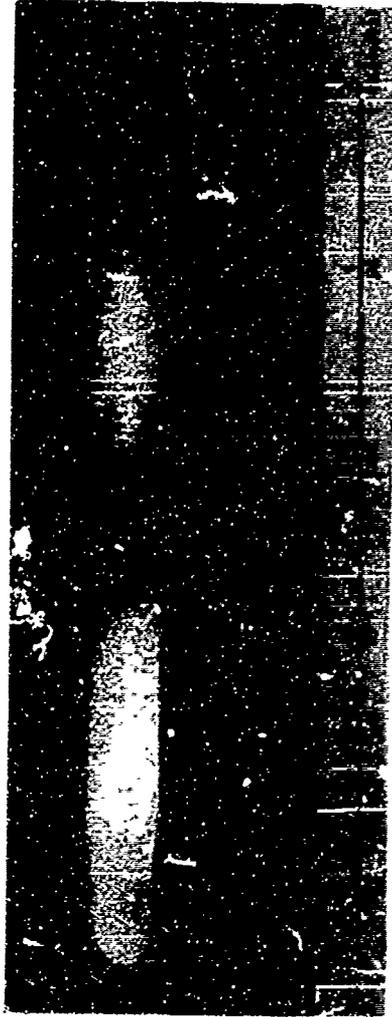


Figure 4.23 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-6 (filter ND-1), Station 830.02 (horizontally mounted), Shot Teak.



Figure 4.24 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-4 (filter ND-4), Station 830.02 (vertically mounted), Shot Teak.

Figure 4.25 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-4 (filter ND-4), Station 830.02 (vertically mounted), Shot Teak.



Figure 4.25 Streak Record, 70-rim Streak-STR-5 (filter ND-3),
Station 830.02 (horizontally mounted), Shot Teak.



Figure 4.26 Streak record, 70-rim Streak-STR-2 (filter ND-3),
Station 830.01 (horizontally mounted), Shot Teak.

Chapter 5

SHOT ORANGE: CAMERA INSTRUMENTATION, ANALYSIS, AND RESULTS

5.1 INSTRUMENTATION AND CAMERA OPERATION

The camera stations for Orange were the same as for Teak. All cameras functioned properly, but cloud cover prevented the cameras at Johnston Island from obtaining usable records, thus, analysis of the Orange fireball growth was restricted to the records from the aircraft stations. The aircraft positions and survey data are presented in Figures 5.1 and 5.2. The photo plans and photo loading charts are contained in Appendix D.

5.2 RESULTS

The diameter versus time plot for Orange is presented in Figure 5.3. Where disagreement in streak record curves is significant, each curve is plotted separately and labeled with station number and filter rating. Microphotometric measurements of Orange made on the Yucca streak records show that the disagreement among records is attributable to the filters employed and the method of photographic processing used. Agreement among records from cameras using filters of the same value was much better than in the case of Yucca, probably because of the higher light-intensity levels of the Orange detonation, because the filters used on the Orange cameras were of lower density values than those chosen for Yucca. Enough light passed the filters to present an image that was easily measured despite image density differences introduced by field-processing techniques used on the streak records.

The Orange fireball exhibits vertical asymmetries at early times similar to those noticed on the Teak records (Figure 5.6), but by 250 msec the configuration of the fireball image is essentially circular. At the lower altitude of the Orange detonation, the differential in air density between the top and bottom of the fireball is much less than that for Shot Teak, so the asymmetry is not as pronounced or as persistent as was noted during Teak.

The emulsion of each of the first three frames of the 24 frames/sec Mitchell camera records was burned, and the fourth frame had a solarized image, giving an indication of the high intensity level of the early light from the detonation. Diameters calculated from measurements of these frames were in poor agreement with diameters from other films at comparable times. The diameters calculated from subsequent frames were in good agreement, thus, the measurements from the first four frames of each Mitchell record were not considered representative of the Orange diameter-time growth and were excluded from the plot.

At approximately 20 msec, a core is discernible on the 35-mm Fastax record. This core assumes a circular shape (Figure 5.7) and rises to the top of the fireball, where it appears to rise out of the top of the fireball envelope (Figure 5.16). A large luminescent halo effect starting at the bottom of the envelope (Figures 5.7 through 5.12) appears

around the core at approximately 286 msec. As the core rises, the halo diameter appears to diminish until it converges into the core. At very late times, the bottom of the envelope seems to rise, creating a vortexlike appearance (Figure 5.16).

At late times, an aurora, less pronounced than that associated with Shot Teak, is discernible on 70-mm Orange records.

The spot which appears on the face of the Orange envelope (Figures 5.10 through 5.12) is discernible in photographs taken from both airborne stations and has the proper northerly orientation to indicate a possible association with the vehicle launched at Johnston Island.

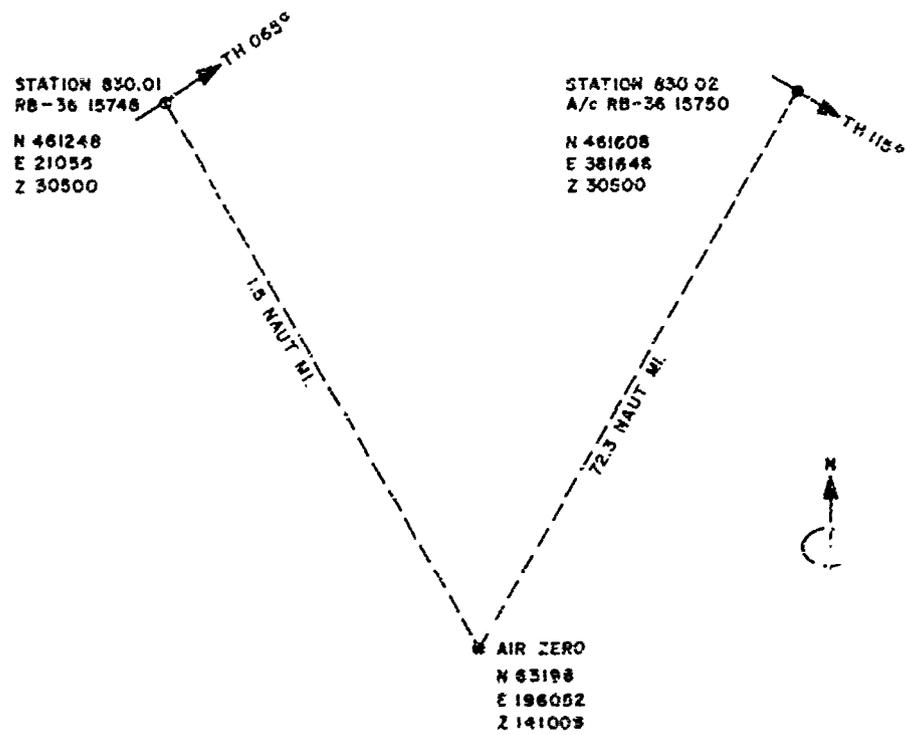
Inspection of the aircraft records of the Orange debris torus shows it to be nearly circular over the first few seconds.

If the toroid were assumed to be circular in a plane parallel to the surface of the earth, as the Teak toroid was, the Orange toroid should be more nearly elliptical than Teak's appeared in the aircraft records, because the elevation angle of Orange above the horizontal is half that of Teak. This is not the case; in fact, the opposite is true. (Compare Figures 4.10, 4.11, and 4.12 with Figures 5.7, 5.8, 5.9, 5.12, and 5.13). This would lead to the assumption that the Orange torus is circular in a plane that is close to being perpendicular to the surface of the earth.

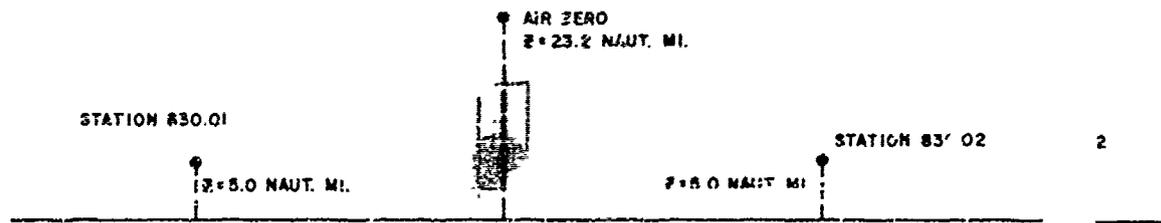
Two explanations of this paradoxical observation are offered. (1) The orientation of the early torus might be a function of the axis of the missile at detonation time, although this is considered highly improbable. Presumably, the Teak missile was still climbing at detonation; whereas the Orange missile, whose track was some 20 nautical miles down and 20 nautical miles up from its launch point, might have detonated at apogee. In view of this difference in positions, it might be inferred that the early torus was propagated in a plane perpendicular to the track axis. (2) The mechanisms that effect the rising vortexing action common to all bomb debris could have influenced the Teak debris at much earlier times than it influenced the Orange debris. This inference does not, however, explain the apparent hole in the Early Orange debris.

A third possibility, a discussion of which is beyond the scope of this report, is the interaction between the fireball plasma and the earth's magnetic field.

Photographic records obtained during the Orange detonation are presented in Figures 5.4 through 5.20.



PLAN VIEW



SIDE VIEW

Figure 5.1 Aircraft positions relative to burst, Shot Orange.

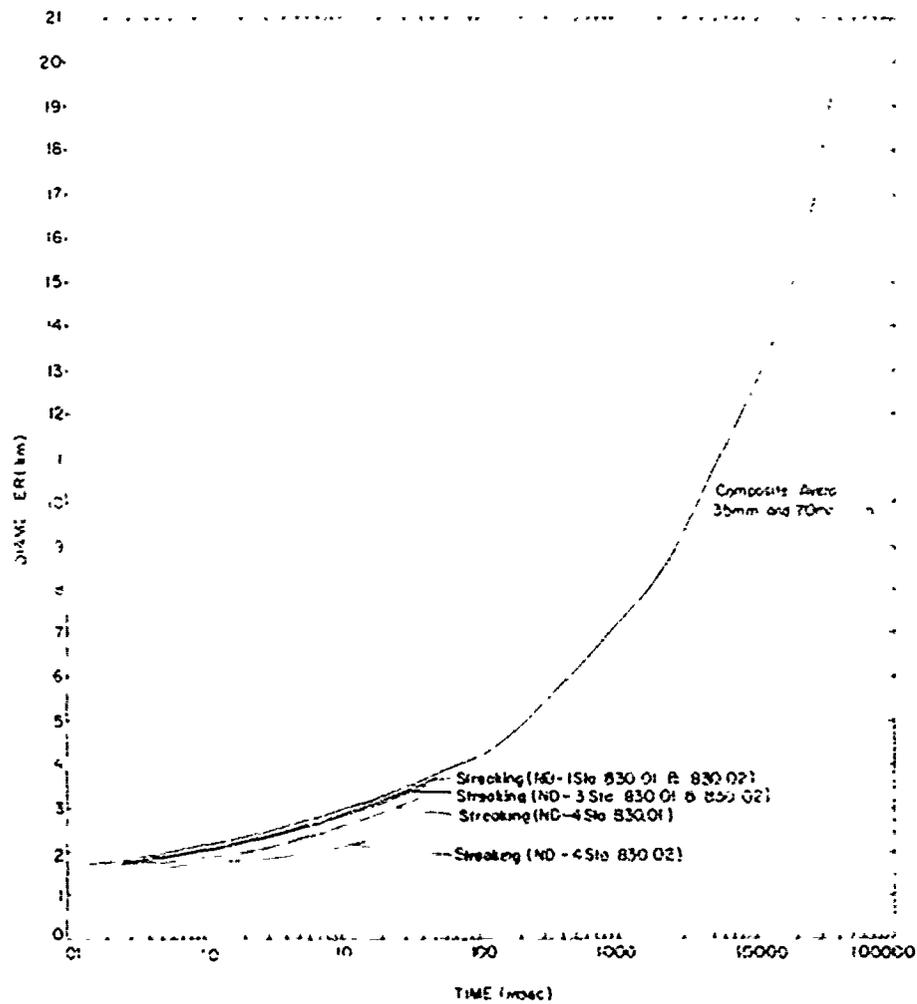


Figure 5.3 Diameter-time plot, Shot Orange.



Figure 5.4 Fireball at 0.58 msec, Station 830.01,
36-mm Fastax FF-1 camera, Shot Orange.

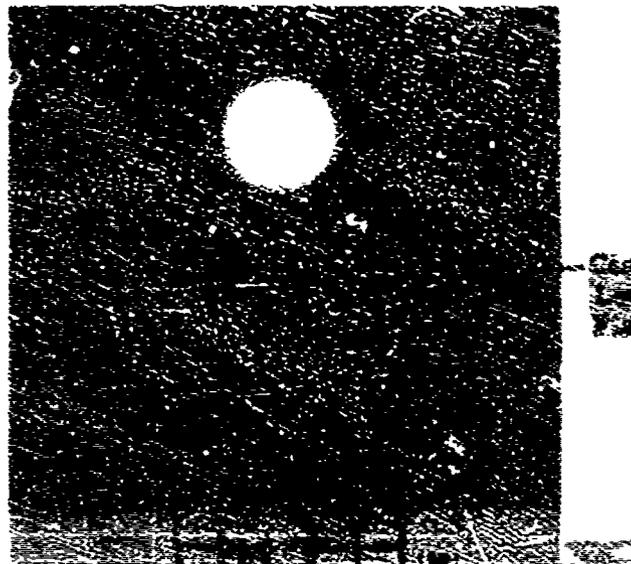


Figure 5.5 Fireball at 9.68 msec, Station 830.01,
35-mm Fastax FF-1 camera, Shot Orange.



Figure 5.6 Fireball at 52 msec, Station 830.01,
35-mm Fastax FF-1 camera, Shot Orange.

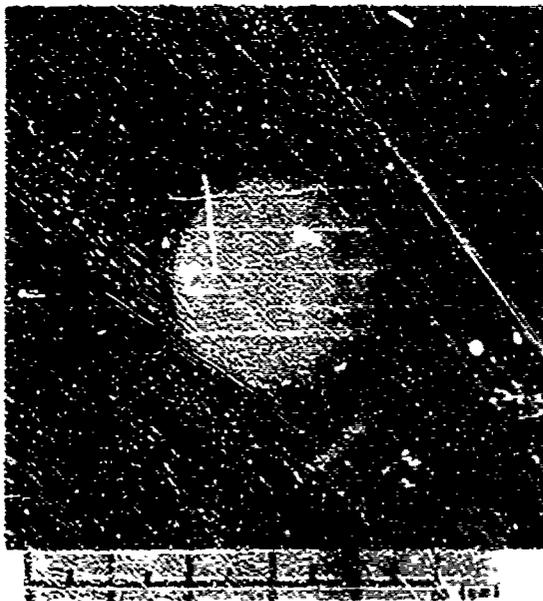


Figure 5.7 Fireball at 286 msec, Station 830.02,
35-mm Fastax FF-2 camera, Shot Orange.

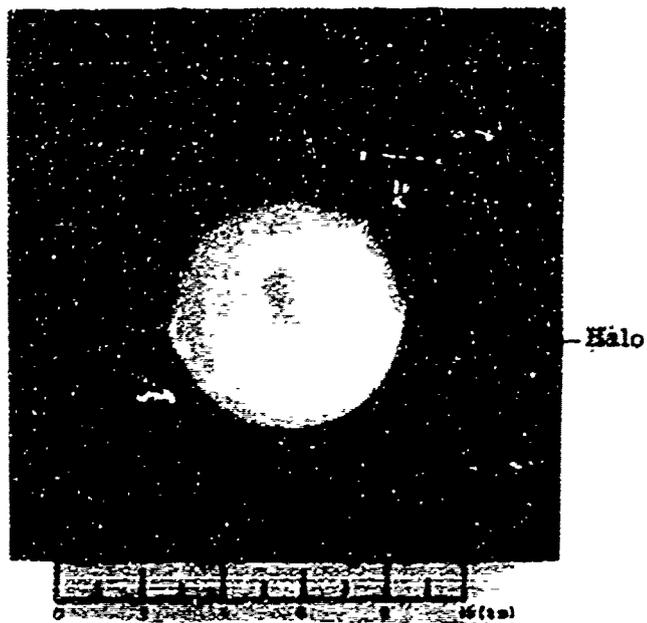


Figure 5.8 Fireball at 430 msec, Station 830.02,
35-mm Fastax FF-2 camera, Shot Grange.

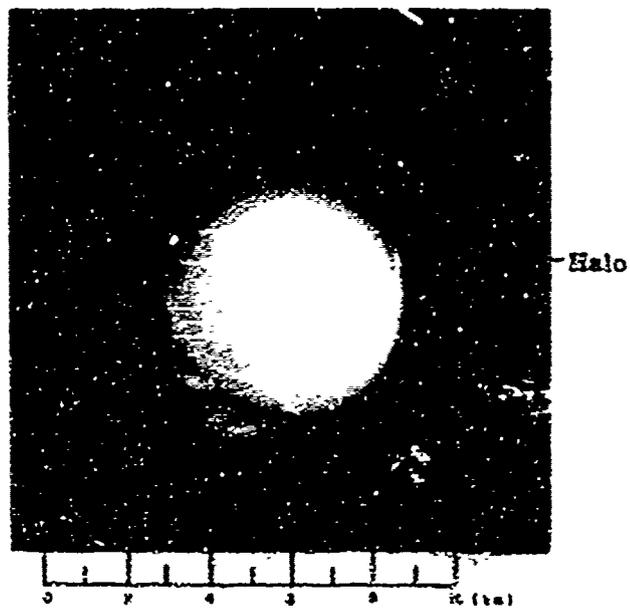


Figure 5.9 Fireball at 596 msec, Station 830.02,
35-mm Fastax FF-2 camera, Shot Orange

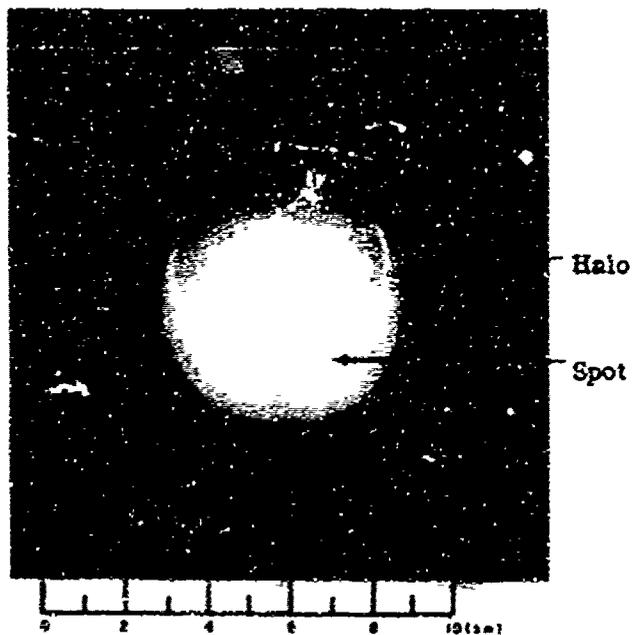


Figure 5.10 Fireball at 803 msec., Station 839.02, 35-mm FF-2 camera, Shot Orange. (Note circular torus.)

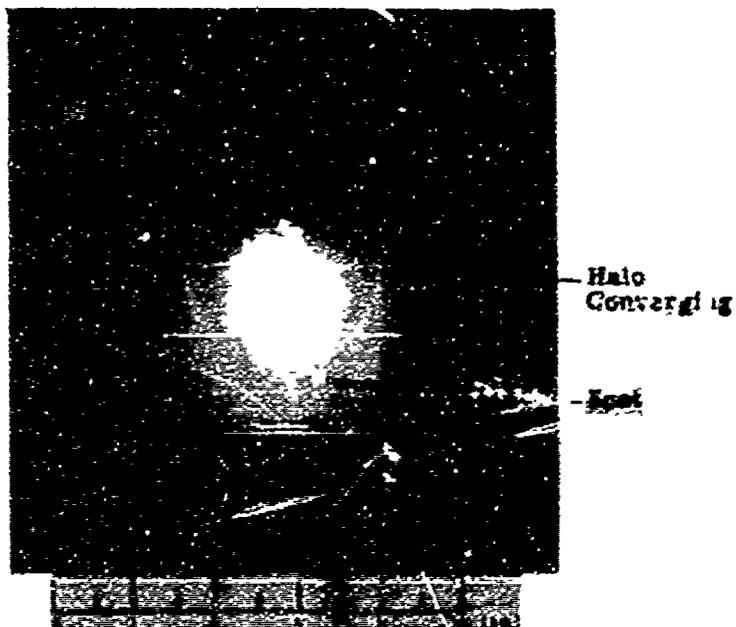
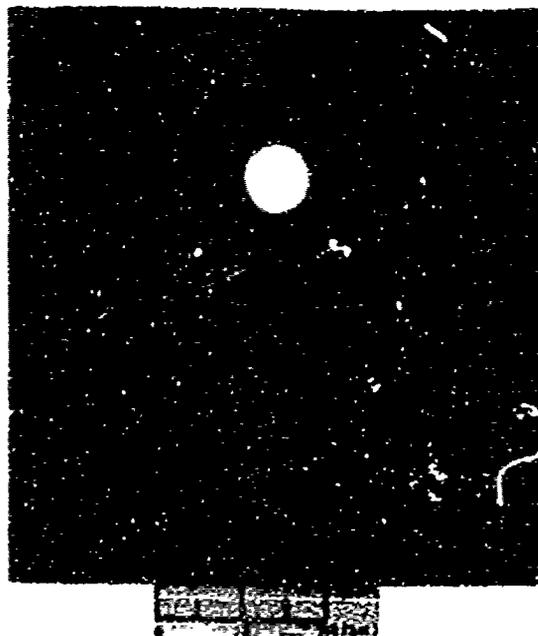


Figure 5.11 Fireball at 969 msec, Station 830.02, 35-mm Fastax FF-2 camera, Shot Orange. (Note circular torus.)



Ball
Converges
Into Debris

Figure 5.12 Fireball at 1.58 seconds, Station 830.02,
35-mm Fastax FF-2 camera, Shot Orange.



Internal
Camera
Reflection

Figure 5.13 Fireball at 2.142 seconds, Station 830.02,
70-mm Maurer M-7 camera, Shot Orange.



Internal
Camera
Reflection

Figure 5.14 Fireball at 9.94 seconds, Station 830.02
70-mm Maurer M-7 camera, Shot Orange.



Figure 5.15 Fireball at 15.34 seconds,
Station 830.02, 70-mm Maurer M-7
camera, Shot Orange



Figure 5.16 Fireball at 25.74 seconds,
Station 330.02, 70-mm Maurer M-7
camera, Shot Orange

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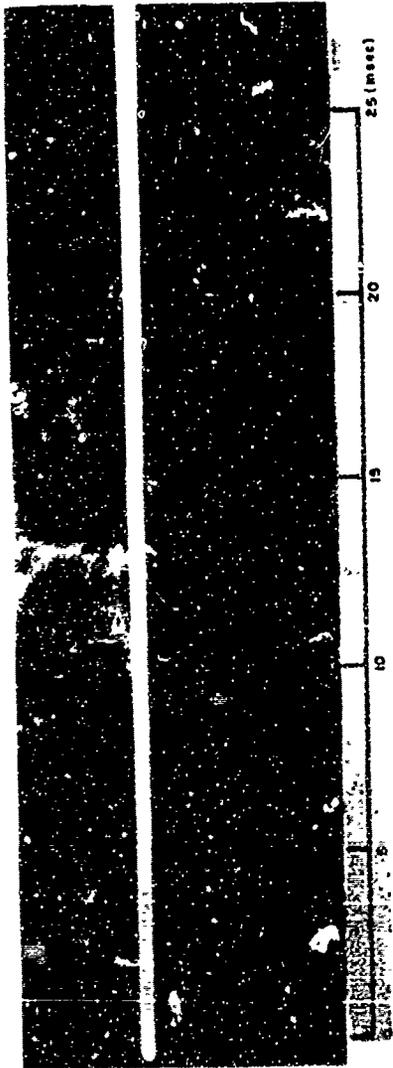


Figure 5.17 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-6 (filter ND-1), Station 830.02 (horizontally mounted), Shot Orange.

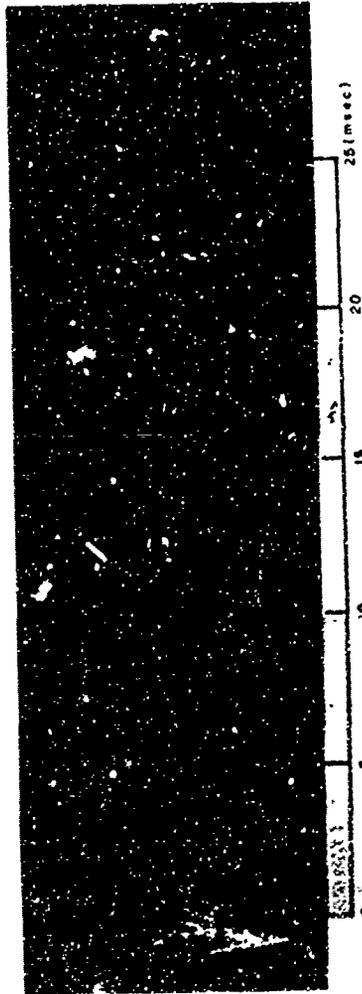


Figure 5.18 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-4 (filter ND-4), Station 830.02 (vertically mounted), Shot Orange.



Figure 5.19 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-2 (filter ND-3),
Station 830.01 (horizontally mounted), Shot Orange.



Figure 5.20 Streak record, 70-mm Streak-STR-5 (filter ND-3),
Station 830.02 (horizontally mounted), Shot Orange.

Station 830.02 (horizontally mounted), Shot Orange.

Chapter 6

RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 GENERAL

It is highly recommended that further photogrammetric analysis of the three Hardtack high-altitude detonations be pursued. Rate of rise of the burst phenomena, nature and dimensions of the aurora, and the light characteristics of the various phenomena are some of the areas that show promise of yielding useful data. The Hardtack high-altitude data and measurements from previous aerial tests should be evaluated in an attempt to determine scaling laws and to ascertain partition of energy data.

For future high-altitude tests, photographic coverage should be considerably expanded, with emphasis directed to obtaining better time resolution and additional significant phenomenological data by using more cameras and a wider variety of film types and lenses. The use of stabilized platforms for the airborne cameras and a fast exposure compensating system would contribute significantly to the improvement of detonation records. It is also highly recommended that extreme care be exercised in obtaining accurate air flight data. It seems imperative to employ a tracking system whereby the cameras are aimed at the missile continuously during its flight. Dependence on ground-camera systems is unfruitful; at least three aircraft should be used, as outlined below.

6.2 DETONATION COVERAGE

In addition to the two aircraft stations and one ground station used for Teak and Orange, it is recommended that a third aircraft station be employed to permit a better coverage of events and a more detailed analysis of the spatial relationships of the various phenomena recorded. This third station would also serve as a backup to the other two.

At least two additional ground or shipboard stations are recommended for fireball coverage. One station should be located about 1,000 miles from the detonation, and the other at a convenient distance between the launch point photo station and the 1,000-mile station. For Shot Teak, EG&G had a station at Mt. Haleakala on the island of Maui, State of Hawaii. The purpose of the station was to make long-range light measurements of the high-altitude detonations. The Maui station was approximately 800 nautical miles from the Teak detonation. Excellent 35-mm color still films of Teak were recorded from that station, indicating the valuable technical potential of long-range photography of extremely high-altitude detonation phenomenology (Reference 5).

Extensive cloud cover over more than one ground station and/or any of the aircraft stations should be sufficient reason for shot postponement.

High-speed streak cameras capable of at least 0.1 μ sec resolution are recommended for complete coverage of the first millisecond of fireball growth. High-speed framing cameras, capable of 25,000 frames/sec or more, should be used to obtain discrete pictures of fireball growth through the first 1.5 μ sec. Electronic cameras should be

employed at one ground station for accurate early-time data, permitting precise determination of zero frame time on motion-picture film records. Rate-of-rise records should be obtained by aircraft cameras mounted in pairs, one aimed at the expected detonation point and the other aimed above it to record cloud rise beyond the field of view of the first camera.

Cameras with extra-wide fields of view are recommended for the recording of sky glow effects from the detonation.

6.3 AURORAL CONJUGATE POINT COVERAGE

Photographic coverage should be provided for the area of the expected auroral conjugate point. At least two airborne photo stations and two ground stations should be instrumented for recording auroral effects in the area. Coverage at the conjugate point would include timed photographs to document aurora arrival time, configuration, and drift. In addition, these stations could provide long-range coverage of the sky glow from the detonation area.

6.4 FILM PROCESSING

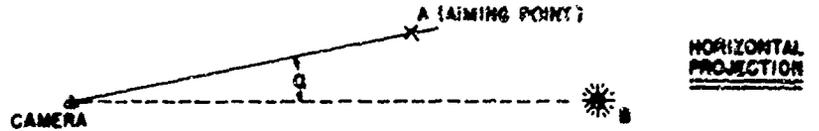
Facilities should be made available to provide adequate control of the processing of all films made. If such facilities cannot be provided in the field, then, in the interest of preserving irreplaceable photometric data, the films should be transported to a location with the necessary equipment to insure proper controlled processing of the films. Under no circumstances should hand processing techniques be employed.

Appendix A

SAMPLE CAMERA DATA AND FILM MEASUREMENTS

CAMERA DATA & CALCULATIONS

FILM NO. 50880	STATION NO. 230.01	TEST Yucca	CALCULATED BY: RS
CAMERA NO. STR #3	EQ. AP.		DATE: 3/19/58



A. $R^{\circ}/A = CB_h \cos \alpha \cos \beta + (H_B - H_C) \sin \beta$

$\alpha = 5^{\circ}08'$	$\beta = 34^{\circ}38'$	$H_B = 25511.29 \text{ m}$
$\cos \alpha = 0.925863$	$\cos \beta = 0.822808$	$H_C = 10973.93 \text{ m}$
$CB_h = 21497.90 \text{ m}$	$\sin \beta = 0.568322$	$\Delta H = 14537.36 \text{ m}$
$CB_h \cos \alpha \cos \beta = 17617.19 \text{ m}$	$\Delta H \sin \beta = 8432.97 \text{ m}$	$R^{\circ}/A = 250^{\circ} 16 \text{ m}$

B. FOCAL LENGTH 149.06 mm (Lens Serial No. 720988)

C. MAGNIFICATION FACTOR (meters/in.) 4438.90

D. ZERO TIME CORRECTION

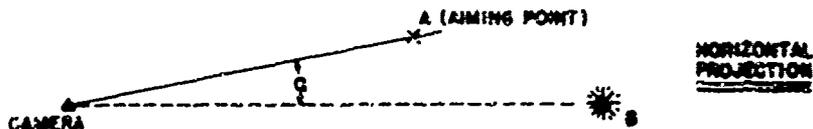
STREAK CALCULATION SHEET, FILM NUMBERS: 581

Shot Yucca, Streak Camera Number 3 Speed at zero ft. 18.23 ft./sec.

Time		Diameter		Time		Diameter	
microns (film)	msec	microns (film)	n	microns (film)	msec	microns (film)	meters
725	0.13	331	53.17	96,089	17.29	1,345	236.39
2,679	0.51	434	76.27	100,499	18.08	1,360	239.03
4,150	0.74	490	86.12	104,773	18.85	1,377	242.02
5,520	0.99	547	96.14	108,993	19.61	1,414	248.52
6,879	1.23	580	101.94	113,054	20.34	1,388	243.95
7,950	1.43	611	107.91	117,100	21.07	1,391	244.48
9,424	1.69	656	115.29	121,016	21.78	1,372	241.14
11,655	2.09	696	122.32	125,023	22.50	1,400	246.06
14,100	2.53	751	131.59	129,106	23.23	1,432	251.68
16,310	2.93	802	140.95	133,062	23.95	1,421	248.75
18,490	3.32	811	142.54	137,029	24.66	1,463	257.13
21,128	3.80	868	152.55	141,954	25.38	1,437	252.56
23,769	4.17	885	155.34	145,524	26.19	1,445	253.97
25,511	4.53	913	160.16	149,958	26.99	1,476	259.12
27,563	4.99	942	165.35	153,954	27.71	1,460	256.60
31,661	5.69	991	174.17	158,147	28.16	1,456	255.90
34,886	6.15	1,030	181.56	162,049	29.16	1,474	259.67
37,142	6.68	1,085	188.29	166,330	29.90	1,450	254.85
40,800	7.23	1,093	193.16	170,273	30.61	1,474	259.07
43,068	7.75	1,083	191.41	174,177	31.35	1,445	253.97
46,999	8.31	1,153	199.13	177,980	32.05	1,429	251.16
47,773	8.52	1,147	201.50	182,075	32.77	1,315	209.22
53,335	9.59	1,188	208.30	186,187	33.51	1,474	259.07
53,856	10.23	1,203	211.43	190,233	34.24	1,416	249.22
61,320	11.03	1,331	216.36	194,308	34.97	1,345	236.39
64,017	11.98	1,331	216.71	198,096	35.65	1,395	245.18
68,074	12.43	1,340	221.45	202,264	36.40	1,375	232.88
73,053	13.14	1,375	221.09	206,274	37.12	1,308	229.89
77,169	13.85	1,359	220.06	210,069	37.81	1,358	239.68
81,321	14.62	1,332	222.09	214,042	38.52	1,366	240.08
86,153	15.32	1,319	231.82	218,114	39.26	1,438	247.47
89,709	16.0	1,345	226.04	222,010	39.96	1,345	236.39
92,143	16.68	1,353	227.09	225,259	40.54	1,494	260.62

CAMERA DATA & CALCULATIONS

FILM NO. 54303	STATION NO. 830.01	TEST ORANGE	CALCULATED BY: RS
CAMERA NO. 35FF No. 1	EQ. AP.		DATE: 12/5/58



A. $R/A = CB_H \cos e \cos \beta + (H_B - H_C) \sin \beta$		
$e = 0^{\circ}00'$	$\beta = 12^{\circ}11'$	$H_B = 42380 \text{ m}$
$\cos e = 1.00000$	$\cos \beta = 0.97748$	$H_C = 3907 \text{ m}$
$CB_H = 132527 \text{ m}$	$\sin \beta = 0.21104$	$\Delta H = 33583 \text{ m}$
$CB_H \cos e \cos \beta = 129542 \text{ m}$	$\Delta H \sin \beta = 7108 \text{ m}$	$R/A = 136650 \text{ m}$
B. FOCAL LENGTH 101.16mm (Lens Serial No. B12678)		

C. MAGNIFICATION FACTOR (meters/in.)	34310
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D. ZERO TIME CORRECTION

DIAMETER MEASUREMENTS

SHOT ORANGE

FILM NO 54303

Fr. No.	Mag.	R ₁	R ₂ in.	R ₃	R _{avg}	FLEXO WRITER	
						D _{avg} (m)	t (ms)
0000	18.33	0102	0112		107	1889.2	0.56
0001		0119	0125		122	2165.5	1.13
0002		0125	0130		129	2289.7	1.70
0003		0134	0136		135	2396.2	2.27
0004		0138	0140		139	2467.2	2.84
0005		0144	0144		143	2538.2	3.41
0008		0148	0153		151	2680.2	5.12
0010		0153	0156		155	2751.2	6.26
0012		0157	0160		159	2822.2	7.40
0014		0160	0164		162	2875.4	8.54
0016		0164	0167		166	2946.4	9.69
0018		0169	0171		170	3017.3	10.82
0020		0170	0172		171	3035.2	11.98
0025		0175	0179		177	3141.7	14.21
0030		0179	0182		181	3212.7	17.66
0035		0185	0185		187	3319.2	20.5
0040		0187	0193		190	3372.4	23.3
..		0194	0197		196	3478.8	26.6
0050		0195	0199		199	3485.7	29.01
0055		0199	0202		201	3567.7	31.91
0060		0201	0205		203	3593.2	34.51
0065		0202	0207		205	3638.7	37.61
0070		0207	0208		208	3682.0	40.42
0075		0209	0210		209	3708.7	43.31
0080		0209	0212		211	3745.2	46.18
0085		0210	0216		213	3780.7	49.01
0090		0211	0214		213	3785.7	51.91
0095		0214	0217		214	3833.8	54.71
0100		0216	0218		217	3851.7	57.55
0110		0218	0220		219	3897.2	63.15
0120		0218	0224		222	3940.4	66.76
0130		0224	0227		225	3993.7	74.36

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DIAMETER MEASUREMENTS

SHOT ORANGE

FILM NO. 54303
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Fr. No.	Mag.	R ₁	R ₂ in	R ₃	R _{avg}	FLEXOWRITER	
						D _{avg} (m)	t (ms)
0140	19.33	0225	0230		228	4046.9	79.86
0150		0227	0231		229	4064.7	85.56
0160		0228	0234		231	4100.2	91.16
0170		0229	0237		233	4135.7	96.76
0180		0230	0240		235	4171.2	102.35
0190		0232	0242		237	4206.7	107.96
0200		0235	0245		240	4259.9	113.56
0210		0239	0247		243	4313.2	119.14
0220		0242	0246		244	4330.9	124.76
0230		0243	0248		246	4366.4	130.36
0240		0247	0250		249	4420.0	135.98
0250		0249	0254		252	4472.9	141.56
0260		0251	0252		252	4472.9	147.16
0270		0253	0256		255	4526.2	152.76
0280		0254	0259		257	4561.7	158.36
0290		0257	0262		260	4614.9	163.96
0300		0260	0265		263	4668.1	169.56
0310		0263	0265		264	4685.9	175.16
0320		0266	0268		267	4739.1	180.76
0330		0270	0271		271	4810.1	186.36
0340		0270	0274		272	4827.9	191.96
0350		0272	0277		275	4861.1	197.56
0360		0275	0280		278	4934.4	203.16
0370		0278	0281		280	4970.0	208.76
0380		0277	0286		282	5005.4	214.36
0390		0280	0287		284	5040.9	219.96
0400		0283	0288		286	5076.4	225.56
0410		0287	0290		289	5129.6	231.16
0420		0289	0292		291	5155.1	236.76
0430		0291	0294		293	5200.6	242.36
0440		0291	0295		293	5200.6	247.96
0450		0293	0298		295	5226.1	253.56

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DIAMETER MEASUREMENTS

SHOT ORANGE

FILM NO. 54303
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Fr. No.	Mag.	R ₁	R ₂ in.	R ₃	D _{avg}	FLEXOMETER	
						D _{avg} (m)	t (ms)
0460	19.33	0296	0288		297	5271.6	256.36
0470		0297	0301		299	5307.1	262.36
0480		0299	0302		301	5342.6	267.76
0490		0302	0303		303	5378.1	273.16
0500		0307	0307		305	5413.6	278.56
0510		0304	0309		307	5449.1	283.96
0530		0310	0313		312	5537.8	294.76
0550		0312	0315		314	5573.4	305.56
0575		0315	0321		318	5644.4	319.06
0600		0317	0324		321	5697.6	332.56
0625		0318	0327		323	5733.1	347.86
0650		0321	0330		326	5786.4	359.06
0675		0324	0333		329	5839.6	372.36
0700		0326	0335		331	5875.1	385.56
0725		0329	0336		333	5910.6	398.56
0750		0331	340		336	5963.9	411.56
0775		0333	344		339	6017.2	424.56
		0334	348		342	6070.4	437.56
0825		0336	352		344	6105.9	458.56
0850		0338	354		346	6141.4	463.56
0875		0340	356		348	6176.9	476.56
0900		0342	356		349	6184.6	489.56

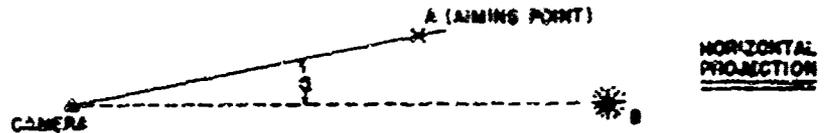
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CAMERA DATA & CALCULATIONS

FILM NO. 54151	STATION NO. 220 01	TEST Teak	CALCULATED BY: RS
CAMERA NO. M-1	EQ. AP.		DATE: 12/3/58



A. $R^0/A = CB_h \cos \epsilon \cos \beta + (H_b - H_c) \sin \beta$

$\epsilon = 0^\circ 00'$	$\beta = 26^\circ 36'$	$H_b = 76315 \text{ m}$
$\cos \epsilon = 1.00000$	$\cos \beta = 0.89153$	$H_c = 9287 \text{ m}$
$CB_h = 118933$	$\sin \beta = 0.45295$	$\Delta H = 67018 \text{ m}$
$CB_h \cos \epsilon \cos \beta = 106032 \text{ m}$	$\Delta H \sin \beta = 30356 \text{ m}$	$R^0/A = 136.9 \text{ m}$

B. FOCAL LENGTH 34.77 mm (Lens Serial No. 3248077)

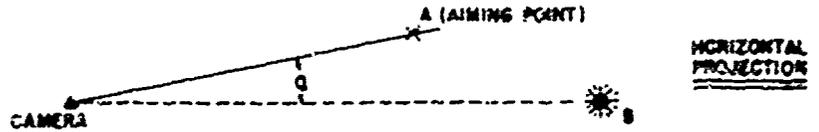
C. MAGNIFICATION FACTOR (meters/in.) 95632

D. ZERO TIME CORRECTION

Horizontal Diameter-Time TEAK Film No. 54151				NAME RCS-CJK			DATE 4/58
Frame	D _i (mm)	D ₁ (mm)	D ₃ (mm)	D ₃ (mm)	D ₅ (mm)	D ₅ (mm)	Time (msec)
0	3.83	15.02	-	-	-	-	14.0
1	3.85	15.10	-	-	-	-	56.9
2	3.93	15.42	-	-	-	-	99.7
3	4.00	15.69	-	-	-	-	142.6
4	4.05	15.89	-	-	-	-	185.4
5	4.10	16.03	-	-	-	-	228.3
8	4.35	17.06	-	-	-	-	356.9
10	4.53	17.77	2.10	8.24	-	-	442.6
12	4.63	18.16	2.20	8.63	-	-	528.3
14	4.73	18.55	2.40	9.41	-	-	614.0
16	4.83	18.95	2.55	10.00	-	-	699.8
18	5.00	19.61	2.60	10.20	-	-	785.5
20	5.08	19.93	2.80	10.92	-	-	871.2
22	5.20	20.40	3.00	11.77	-	-	956.9
24	5.30	20.70	3.10	12.18	2.00	7.85	1042.6
26	5.40	21.18	3.20	12.55	2.10	8.24	1128.4
28	5.50	21.57	3.20	12.55	2.15	8.43	1214.2
30	5.60	21.97	3.33	13.06	2.20	8.63	1300.0
35	5.83	22.87	3.80	14.91	2.30	9.02	1485.8
40	6.10	23.93	4.15	16.26	2.20	8.63	1671.6
45	6.30	24.71	4.45	17.46	2.40	9.41	1857.4
50	6.50	25.50	4.70	18.44	2.58	10.12	2043.2
55	6.70	26.28	5.00	19.51	2.85	11.18	2229.0
60	6.85	26.87	5.30	20.79	2.95	11.57	2414.8
65	7.00	27.48	5.50	21.97	3.10	12.16	2600.6
70	8.90	27.07	5.90	23.14	3.25	12.75	2786.4
75	6.9	27.45	6.05	23.73	3.34	13.10	2972.2
80	7.1	27.95	6.20	24.32	3.48	13.65	3158.0
85	-	-	6.40	25.10	3.55	13.92	3343.8
90	-	-	6.60	25.89	3.70	14.51	3529.6
95	-	-	6.80	26.57	3.80	14.91	3715.4
100	-	-	6.90	27.07	3.85	15.10	3901.2
105	-	-	6.90	27.07	3.95	15.49	4087.0
110	-	-	-	-	4.05	15.89	4272.8
115	-	-	-	-	4.10	16.02	4458.6
120	-	-	-	-	4.20	16.47	4644.4
125	-	-	-	-	4.30	16.87	4830.2

CAMERA DATA & CALCULATIONS

FILM NO. 54152	STATION NO. 930.01	TEST Leak	CALCULATED BY: RS
CAMERA NO. M-70 #4	EQ. AP.		DATE: 12/3/58



A. $R^0_A = CB_2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + (H_B - H_C) \sin \beta$

$\alpha = 0^{\circ}00'$	$\beta = 26^{\circ}56'$	$H_B = 16315 \text{ m}$
$\cos \alpha = 1.00000$	$\cos \beta = 0.89153$	$H_C = 9297 \text{ m}$
$CB_2 = 118933 \text{ m}$	$\sin \beta = 0.45295$	$\Delta H = 67018 \text{ m}$
$CB_2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta = 106052 \text{ m}$	$\Delta H \sin \beta = 30356 \text{ m}$	$R^0_A = 136408 \text{ m}$

B. FOCAL LENGTH 79.58 mm (Lens Serial No. 4693032)

C. MAGNIFICATION FACTOR (meters/in) 42531

D. ZERO TIME CORRECTION

TEAK Horizontal Diameter-Time Film No. 54152				NAME RCS-CJK			DATE 4/58
Frame	D ₁ (mm)	D ₁ (km)	D ₃ (mm)	D ₃ (km)	D ₅ (mm)	D ₅ (km)	Time (msec)
0	9.2	15.8	-	-	-	-	50
1	10.2	17.5	4.5	7.7	-	-	350
2	11.0	18.9	5.6	9.8	-	-	850
3	11.7	20.1	6.2	10.6	-	-	950
4	12.4	21.3	7.2	12.3	4.3	7.4	1250
5	13.2	22.6	8.2	14.1	4.5	7.7	1550
6	13.8	23.7	9.2	15.8	5.2	8.9	1850
7	14.5	24.9	10.0	17.1	5.6	9.6	2150
8	15.1	25.9	11.0	18.9	5.8	9.9	2450
9	15.5	26.7	11.8	20.2	5.1	10.5	2750
10	16.2	27.8	12.4	21.3	6.4	11.0	3050
11	17.0	29.1	13.2	22.6	6.7	11.5	3350
12	17.5	30.0	13.9	23.8	6.9	11.8	3650
13	18.2	31.2	14.6	25.0	7.3	12.5	3950
14	18.8	32.2	15.3	26.2	7.5	12.9	4250
15	19.3	32.9	15.9	27.3	7.7	13.2	4550
16	19.6	33.6	16.5	28.3	8.0	13.7	4850
17	-	-	16.8	28.6	8.4	14.4	5150
18	-	-	-	-	8.7	14.9	5450
19	-	-	-	-	9.0	15.4	5750
20	-	-	-	-	9.4	16.1	6050

TEAK		Vertical Diameter-Time		NAME		RCS		DATE	
Film No. 54152								6/59	
Frame (No.)	Time (ms)	D ₀ (mm)	P ₁ (mm)	D ₂ (mm)	D ₃ (mm)	D ₄ (mm)	D ₅ (mm)		
0	50	10.7	10.4	10.3	2.1				
1	350	12.0	11.1	10.9	3.5				
2	650	13.0	11.8	11.6	4.5				
3	950		12.8	12.1	5.4				1.4
4	1250		13.6	12.7	6.3				2.2
5	1550		14.3		7.1				2.5
6	1850		14.9		8.0				2.8
7	2150				8.6				3.1
8	2450				9.6				3.5
9	2750				10.6				4.0
10	3050				11.5				4.2
11	3350				12.6			5.4	4.6
12	3650							6.4	5.0
13	3954							7.1	5.1
14	4250							7.9	5.1
15	4550							8.8	5.4
16	4850							8.6	5.6
17	5150								5.7
18	5450								6.0
19	5750								6.0
20	6050								6.3
21	6350								6.3
22	6650								6.3

TEAK		Vertical Diameter-Time		NAME		RCS		DATE	
Film No. 54152								6/59	
Frame (No.)	Time (ms)	D ₀ (km)	D ₁ (km)	D ₂ (km)	D ₃ (km)	D ₄ (km)	D ₅ (km)		
0	50	18.3	17.8	17.6	3.6				
1	350	20.6	19.0	18.7	6.0				
2	650	22.3	20.5	19.9	7.7				
3	950		21.3	20.7	9.3				2.4
4	1250		23.2	21.8	10.8				3.8
5	1530		24.5		12.2				4.3
6	1850		25.5		13.7				4.8
7	2130				14.7				5.3
8	2450				16.5				6.0
9	2750				18.2				6.9
10	3050				19.7				7.2
11	3350				21.6			9.3	8.2
12	3650							11.0	8.6
13	3950							12.2	8.7
14	4250							13.5	8.7
15	4550							15.1	9.3
16	4850							16.5	9.6
17	5150								9.8
18	5450								10.3
19	5750								10.3
20	6050								10.8
21	6350								10.8
22	6650								10.8

Appendix B

PHOTO DATA, SHOT YUCCA

STATION NO I 32.01 EVENT YUCCA
 STATION TYPE RB-36 1574A BRG 2300' GZ STA. 42
 DISTANCE GZ 11.6 NM STATION G 1 TILT 2 12-18
 DISTANCE OBJECT 15.82' N 426553 DIFF. 65394 GZ 0815.4° 31' POSTED
 E 337621 S 85400 Y 48600

PHOTO PLAN

CAMERA	LENS		FIELD TARGET N/W	AIMING		POWER		MARKER		RELAT	PLAN	FUR. POST	REMARKS
	NO. / S/N	FOC. / INCH		ORJCT	M	V	VOLTS	EMIT BRND.	TIME CR/SHF				
705TR 1	20	Sec D-2 152	37-50	BURST 2.00	3433	34DC	-	1.25	2.00	3.5	-	MF	8.3
705TR 2		D-1 1837456											
705TR 3		C-1 720918											
35FE 1000		C-2 102	42-37			123000							
M-1 24		B-4 35	42-38			2800	30°	1.5	12 1/2	3.5			
M-20 3 1/2		B-1 20	56-61	24200			1/2000	4.10				EX	
5470 1/4		A-1 125	57-44				1/25	1.5				ME	
55F 64		B-3 18.5	48-77				1/25	2.30M	4.00E				
576			32-90	BURST			137°	4.30				KDC	
GSP 176		A-2 25	32-90				133°					ME	
GSP 178		W-12 23.14	23.14	BURST			133°					ME	
GSP 179		W-12 3.7	16.50	REMITA			133°					ME	

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STATION 830.0/ 80-36 / 5748 EVENT YUGCA DATE 3-11-58

FILM			CAMERA			LENS			EXPOSURE		REMARKS	
TYPE	EMULS. NO.	SIZE	MOLDER	PERF. NO.	NO.	PACK FOR.	FORM NO.	FOC. MM.	FILTER	APER		SHUTTER SPEED
M.F.	1112-9-2	70-106	IR-MAG	50683	705TR	B-2	40/500	154	ND-5	f8	-	3X10 ¹⁰
				50679	705TR	B-1			R-1-4	f8	-	3X10 ⁹
				50680	705TR	C-1			ND-3	f8	-	3X10 ⁸
				50681	35FF	C-2	2000	182	ND-2	f8	-	1X10 ⁶
				50682	M-1	B-4	24	35	W-12	f20	30°	2X10 ⁴
				50683	M-74	B-1	373	80	W-12	f4	1/500	f0
				50684	C-70	A-1	1/4	125	W-12	f5.6	1/25	f0
				50685	GSP	B-1	64	12.5	-	f5.6	133°	f0
				50686	GSP	B-2		2.5	W-12	f2		f0.91
				50687	GSP	B-1		3.7	-	f4.5		2X10 ²

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STATION NO. 943-1155 BOXER BRG U.S.C.A
 STATION TYPE SHLE STATION G. DIFF. 2-12-58
 DISTANCE GZ N TILT 2-12-58
 DISTANCE OBJECT E GZ ORU POSTED

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CAMERA NO.	NON SPD.	BACK POS.	LENS		FIELD TARGET H/V	AIMING		POWER			MARKER		DELAY	FILM	PUR. POS.	REMARKS
			FOC. NUM.	S/N		OBJECT	H	V	VOLTS	SHUT SMO.	TIME CM/OP.	TYPE				
#3	1/4	1	152	41224	N-12	0-20	0-20	1580	1/2	2-3/2	-	-	-	ME	83	
#1	20/4	2	304	58605	N-12	0-20	0-20	1400	-	2-3/2	-	-	-	ME		
#2	1/2	3	40	RE-15	-	0-20	0-20	1330	133	5-1/2	-	-	-	KIX-0		
#4	64	4	37	144	N-12	165°	ZENITH			2-3/2	-	-	-	ME		

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STATION NO. 830 01 EVENT LEAK
 STATION TYPE RR-26 1575E BRG 537.2 GZ STA. HIGH ALTITUDE
 DISTANCE OZ N 5.5 1.6 8 STATION GZ DIFF. TILT 27.1 20 DATE 7-21-58
 DISTANCE OBJECT Z 3.0 3.0 0 GZ 1942.1 ONJ 1764.19 POSTED
2503.74 2198.74

CAMERA	LENSE		FIELD TARGET H/V	AIMING			POWER			MARKER TYPE S/M	OBLAY	MAG	PUR. POSE	REMARKS
	SHD	BACK POS		POC MAN	S/W	PRTR	OBJECT	H	V					
10	C-1	153	105098	ND-1	170	RURST	2800				2.4		MF	83
10	D-1		162785	ND-2	170									
10	D-2		720788	ND-1	170									
10	2000		102	B 13878	V-12									
10	34	B-4	35	3448071										
10	34	B-1	80	4892032										
10	14	A-1	105	RM119										
10	64	B-3	185	112517										
10		B-2	25	622128	W-12									
10		E-1	345	147										

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STATION 6-02 10-5-5720 DATE 7-25-57

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FILM 112-7-3

TYPE	EMULS. NO.	SIZE	HOLDER	PERF. NO.	NO.	RACK POS.	NO.1 SPD	LENS		EXPOSURE		REMARKS
								FOC MM	FILTER	APER	SHUTTER RE-FO.	
MF	112-7-3	71-100	STRANA	54137	70 STR	C-1	45'	154	ND-2	f 16.0	-	8
			M56	54131	46	D-			ND-3	f 6.3	-	6
				54139	70 STR	B-2			ND-1	f 6.3	-	10
			RAYLOUT	54129	42	C-2	2000	103	W-12	f 8	-	10
			MISC WALL	54121	M-2	F-4	2.4	35		f 2.8	170	20
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
IX	52-73	31-200	MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
IX	52-73	31-200	MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
KDC	52-73	31-200	MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
IX	52-73	31-200	MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
			MAG	54122	M-2	B-1	3 1/3	80		f 4	200	8
MF	112-8-02			54126	GSP	E-		3.45		f 2.8	133	15
				54126	GSP	E-		3.45		f 2.8	133	15

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 STATION TYPE I. BUCK
 DISTANCE GZ N 220450
 DISTANCE OBJECT E 200530
 Z 8
 STATION 07
 DIFF. 2694
 BRG 295 22 24
 GZ STA. HIGH ALTITUDE
 TILT 08 34
 DATE 7-21-58
 OBJ 083
 POSTED
 MARKER TYPE S/N
 250374 ~ 250370

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CAMERA	LENS		FIELD TARGET H/W	AIMING		POWER		MARKER TYPE S/N	DELAY	FRM	PUR-POSE	REMARKS	
	NO. S/P	POC. AIM		OBJCT	H	V	VOLTS						SHUT REHC.
DESTA 30% 7.11			45	BURST	0.00	82.15	210C	-	-2 1/2	200	1	ME 8.3	ACTUAL DELAY 29 0 11
XB-2 1216 7.11	304	58618	45	BURST			15AC BULB			FM 3	3	EX	ACTUAL DELAY 52 5 40
XB-2 1216 7.11	430	774693	35	BURST			15AC BULB			FM 3	3	EX	
XB-2 1216 7.11	480	773947	35	BURST			24DC BULB			200	1	ME	
SEF 2000 7.11	150	1849254	35	BURST			130DC			200	1	ME	
H-70 113 7.11	150	4768175	35	CLOUD			15AC 1/75					EX	
H-70 113 7.11	30	4840992	500	CLOUD			15AC 1/75					TX	
GSP 64 7.11	40	RM177	60	DOC			24DC 133					KDC ECT	
SEF 2000 7.11	150	190389	35	BURST			120DC			200	2	1229	18.1
F-16 6000 7.11	53	636175	375	SHARROW			180DC			200	8	ME	GOOSE UNIT
F-16 6000 7.11	53	636175	375	SHARROW			180DC			200	1	ME	GOOSE UNIT
GSP 64 7.11	345	178	165	ZENITH			24DC 133					ME	8.3

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STATION 831 6 A 6 P EVENT LEAK DATE 7-24-58

TYPE	FILM			PERF. NO.	NO.	C. I. R. RACK POS	NOM. SPD.	LENS		EXPOSURE		REMARKS
	EMULS. NO.	SIZE	HOLDER					FOC. (MM)	FILTER	APER	SHUTTER (SECS.)	
MF	112-7-2 6140	70-100	STR-MAG RAP	54126	20-51A 27	C-1	152	304	ND-5	f6.8	-	5 x 10 ⁷
FX	112 E10	74 x 3 1/4	HOLDER	54127	AR-7 4	A-2	152	480	-	f11.0	BULB	7 x 10 ⁷
FX			PATENT	54128	XR-8 3	A-2	152	480	-	f11.0	1:1.0	2 x 10 ⁷
MF	112-7-1 5240	35-400	SPool	54124	35 F.F. 4	C-2	2000	152	W-12	f8.0	-	10 ⁴
FX	626-2	70-100		54130	H-70 210	B-1	371	152	W-12	f5.6	1/75	3
TX	5241-4	70-100		54131	H-70 178	A-1	1/4	38	W-12	f4.5	1/75	0.1
KDC ECP 1339	2446.05 1339	16-50	W-MAG PAYMENT	54132	G-2P 4	A-2	54	40	-	f2.8	1/33	15
MS	32-1	35-500	SPool	54133	35 F.F. 272	C-3	2000	152	ND-4	f16.0	-	2 x 10 ⁵ 33 PER 14 No. 210
MF	112-8-22	14-100	H.S. REEL	54134	F-16 28	E-1	6000	5.3	-	f8.0	-	2.5 x 10 ⁵ 14.5/5.8
TRIX		16-100	H.S. REEL	54135	F-16 33	E-1	6000	5.3	ND-3	f8.0	-	2.5 x 10 ⁵
MF	112-8-02	16-50	W-MAG	54126	G-2P TOP 40	TAVER	64	345	-	f2.8	1/33	100

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REMARKS 5 x 10⁷ W/M² NOMINAL FOR BAL. CAMERA

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STATION NO. 93001 EVENT PHASE
 STATION TYPE 213 BRG 120°12' GZ STA. 1164
 DISTANCE GZ: N 4.12 15' DIFF. 0 TILT 14°03' DATE 14 11 58
 DISTANCE OBJECT: E 30.5' GZ 11434 OBJ 11434 POSTED

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CAMERA		LENS		FIELD TARGET		AIMING		POWER			MARKER		DELAY	FILM	PURPOSE	REMARKS	
NO.	NO. SFD.	BACK POS.	FOC. MM.	S/M	FILTER	H/V	OBJECT	H	V	VOLTS	SHUT RHEO.	TIME ON/OFF	TYPE	S/N			
101	207	C-4	152	95090	N/D-Y	103	130NSI	0°00'	120°	25VDC	-	2.2	200	24		MF	BS
102		B-1		20-9456	N/D-3	105											
103		B-2		720988	110-1	105											
104		C-2	102	312928	11-12	102				120DC							
105	24	B-3	35	1278077		309				240C	1700	1.2M	12 1/2	25			
106	33	B-1	81	949032		312	LOUD				1.20	1.1M				TX	
107	14	A-1	105	RW109		317					1.5	1.5M					
108	27	B-3	183	11243		253	DOC				1.55	1.5M				KUC	
109		B-2	25	231026	11-12	151	BURST										
110		B-1	375			105	20000		90°							MF	

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STATION NO. 73 **PHOTO PLAN** BRG 11221 EVENT 24 40
 STATION TYPE 11 STATION G. DIFF. 11221 GZ STA. 11221
 DISTANCE GZ N 200000 DISTANCE OBJECT E 30000 GZ DATE 11 22 1950
 DISTANCE OBJECT Z 6 OBJ. 11221 POSTED

CAMERA NO.	NO. BACK POS.	FOC. AM.	LENS		FIELD TARGET H/V	AIMING		POWER			MARKER		DELAY	FILM	PUR. POSE	REMARKS
			S/M	FILTER		OBJECT	H	V	VOLTS	SHUT SMO.	TIME ON/OFF	TYPE				
1	C 1	304	SPG 18	NO 3	25	BURST	0.00	0.00	25 DC			1		MF	S 3	
2	A 2	480	77453		15				115 AC	3000		3	2.25	FX		
3	A 3	450	71352		17				240	3000		3	3.00	FX		
4	C 2	150	34925	14	20				120 DC		1			MF		
5	D 1	150	27412		20	CLOUD			115 AC	15				FX		
6	A 1	58	34082	1	250					15				FX		
7	A 1A	40	BM 11		45	DOC			240	350				FX		
8	C 3	51	45081	10	20	BURST			200			8		FX		
9	E 1	5.3	C3-18		210	SWAB			110 AC			8		MF		
10	L-1	5.3	C3-18	NO	300							1		FX		
11	L-1	3.25			1050	EXPLO			270	330				MF	S 3	

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